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# Assad receives Kuwaiti message

DAMASCUS (Agencies) — Syrian President Hafez Al Assad Monday received a message from the emir of Kuwait. Sheikh Jaber Al Ahmad Al Sabah. Delieved to deal with the ongoing inter-Palestinian fighting in Bosen tamps. The message was delivered to Assad by Kuwaiti Deputy Prime Minister and Foreign Minister Sheikh Sabah Al Ahmad Al Sabah. With the first from Baghdad after delivering a message from Sheikh Sabah was attended by Syrian Foreign Minister Farouq Al Sharaa. Before his departure from Kuwait Sunday. Sheikh Sabah told the Kuwait News Agency (KUNA) that Kuwait was launching an initiative to end the fighting in Lebanon between supporters of Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO) Chairman Yasser Arafat and Syrian-backed dissidents (see page 5). The Kuwaiti emir is the current chairman of the Organisation of page 5). The Kuwaiti emir is the current chairman of the Organisation of Islamic Conference. Sheikh Sabah is also expected to visit Amman with a message from Sheikh Jaber to His Majesty King Hussein.

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#### AROUND THE WORLD...

# Abu Sharif denies saying Arafat okayed offer

TUNIS (AP) — Bassam Abu Sharif, chief spokesman of the Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO), denied Monday that he commented on PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat's prior knowledge of Middle East peace proposals submitted to last month's Arab summit conference in Algiers. In an AP interview Sunday. Abu Sharif was quoted as saying the proposals were official PLO policy endorsed by Arafat, although the Palestinian leader has thus far refrained from expressing his approval publicly. In a statement issued Monday, Abu Sharif said: "I did not answer questions concerning Chairman Arafat's knowledge of the article (containing the proposals). I wrote the article, which has a political content, in conformity with resolutions of the Palestine National Council. Chairman Arafat has already stated that if the American administration has questions concerning the political line of the PLO, they can address these questions to him in a direct way, and he is ready to receive an American envoy." In his new statement, Abu Sharif again insisted that his proposals were official PLO policy and put forward by him in his capacity as Arafat's chief political adviser.

### **Edberg wins Wimbledon crown**

WIMBLEDON (AP) - Stefan Edberg brought images of countryman Bjorn Borg back to centre court Monday by beating Boris Becker for the men's singles championship at rainy Wimbledon. The 4-6, 7-6, 6-4, 6-2 victory in an historic match on centre court was built on volleys and court coverage that would have made Borg proud. And it gave Sweden its first men's championship at the premier grand slam tournament since Borg completed five in a row in 1980. Edberg wrapped up his win by breaking Becker in the first and fifth games of the fourth set. The match took almost 24 hours to complete, and was the first men's singles championship at Wimbledon to be split between two days because of rain. The final point came at 40-30 in the eighth game, and the image of Borg was never stronger. Becker had a chance to take the long match at least one point longer. He had Edberg isolated at the net and could pick his shot as he moved in on a backhand hopper. But the end came quickly as Becker slammed the ball into the net, right in front of Edberg. In women's doubles, final, Steffi Graf and Gabriela Sabatini beat Larisa Savchenko and Natalia Zvereva 6-3, 1-6, 12-10. In Girls' singles, final, Brenda Schultz beat Emmanuelle Derly 7-6, (7-5), 6-1.

#### Soviet INF team in Frankfurt

FRANKFURT (AP) - A group of 19 Soviet missile specialists arrived in Frankfurt Monday to verify compliance with the superpower treaty scrapping intermediate-range nuclear forces (INF). Another group of Soviet specialists arrived in the United States last week, while American inspectors went to the Soviet Union. The Soviets who arrived in Frankfurt Monday will carry out inspections of missile sites in West Germany

# Arafat, Qadhafi discuss Beirut feud

ROME (AP) — Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO) Chairman Yasser Arafat arrived in Libva to discuss the fighting between rival Palestinian factions in Beirut, which he charged was part of an "American plot," the official Libyan News Agency JANA reported Monday. Arafat arrived in the Libyan capital, Tripoli, Sunday and met with Libvan leader Muammar Qadhafi, the agency said in a dispatch monitored in Rome. No details of the talks were disclosed, but a separate dispatch said Arafat "paid tribute to the great effort" exerted by Qadhafi to halt the fighting in the Palestinian camps (See

# **Denktash begins visit to Turkey**

ANKARA (AP) — Turkish Cypriot leader Rauf Denktash arrived Monday in Turkey for a three-day official visit. Denktash was scheduled to meet with President Kenan Evren and other officials about his upcoming meeting in Geneva with Greek Cypriot leader

# Turkey may dynamite part of mountain

ANKARA (R) — Turkey may dynamite part of a mountain near the Black Sea to prevent further landslides after half a million tonnes of mud and rock entombed the village of Catak June 23, official sources said Monday. Falling rocks from the 400-metre mountain have hampered relief work at Catak, where 61 bodies buried under three metres of debris have been discovered so far.

# Israeli medics stage indefinite strike

TEL AVIV (R) - Hundreds of ambulance drivers and paramedics began an indefinite strike Monday, immobilising a fleet of 600 ambulances and closing 45 first aid stations across Israel. All 900 employees of Magen David Adom boycotted work to press for more pay and government funds for the agency, said spokesman Moshe Dayan.

# Sharon to seek lower party slot

TEL AVIV (AP) - Israeli cabinet minister Ariel Sharon withdrew Monday from a battle over leadership in the right-wing Herut party, saying an internal power struggle now would only hurt the party's chances in November elections. Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir, head of Herut, praised the move. Herut is the senior member in the Likud bloc, which will face off with the Labour Party headed by Foreign Minister Shimon Peres. Sharon, one of Herut's powerbrokers, initially intended to run for a top slot on the party's slate, placing him in direct competition with Deputy Prime Minister David Levy and cabinet minister Moshe Arens. But he announced that instead, he would seek the 22nd spot out of 35 on the party list.

# Mexican opposition official murdered

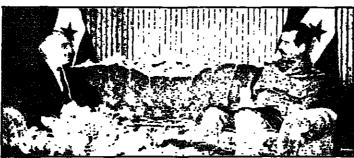
MEXICO CITY (R) — A key figure in the campaign of Mexico's leading opposition candidate in Wednesday's election has been shot dead, party officials said Monday. Francisco Javier Ovando, election coordinator for Cuauhtemoc Cardenas, was found in his car in downtown Mexico City late Saturday together with his private secretary Roman Gil.

# Hoss, Goulding discuss UNIFIL

BEIRUT (AP) — United Nations Under-secretary-General Marrak Goulding conferred with acting Prime Minister Salim Al Hoss Monday on the future of the U.N. peacekeeping force in South Lebanon. Goulding, who flew in from Israel, told reporters after the meeting he also informed Hoss of the appointment of a new commander for the United Nations Interim Force In Lebanon

# Jailed Israeli wins peace prize

TEL AVIV (R) - An Israeli sentenced this week for meeting members of the Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO) said Monday he was to receive the Kreisky award for peace activism. Journalist Latif Dori told Reuters award officials called from Vienna to give him the news. The Kreisky Award, named after former Austrian President Bruno Kreisky, goes to persons considered outstanding in promoting civil rights and peace.



# King, Iraqi leader

AMMAN (J.T.) - His Majesty tories in the war with Iran. King Hussein paid a brief visit to Baghdad Monday and held talks with Iraqi President Saddam Hus-

The Jordan News Agency, Petra, said the King congratulated framework of coordination and the Iraqi leader, armed forces and people on Iraq's recent vic-

Petra said the two leaders discussed bilateral relations and efforts to serve the higher interests of the Arab Nation.

# King sends message to Hassan II

RABAT (Petra) - King Hassan II of Morocco Monday received a

King Hassan and Masri reviewed developments in the Arab arena and issues of common interest.

and discussed bilateral relations.

168 bodies recovered from sea

# Iran vows to avenge U.S. attack on plane

DUBAI (Agencies) — Iran searched Monday for bodies from the Airbus shot down over the Gulf by a U.S. warship and vowed to avenge the attack "in the same bloodspattered sky."

Tehran Radio said at least 168 until the end to preserve the bodies had been pulled from the Gulf where the airliner carrying 290 people crashed Sunday after said in a commentary. being hit in an attack by the U.S. cruiser Vincennes. An earlier Iranian report said 298 were aboard the plane but the figure was revised to 290 Monday. It said 38 of the bodies were

those of foreigners. The radio said the attack, which Washington described as a mistake, "will be avenged in the

same blood-spattered sky over the Persian Gulf." "Our country is ready for mar-

values of our movement and the ideals of our martyrs," the radio American embassies around

the world went on full alert for possible retaliation, 24 hours after the U.S. cruiser Vincennes fired two missiles at the airliner over the Strait of Hormuz. At least one missile hit, and Iran said the plane exploded.

Washington said the cruiser fired after mistaking the Airbus A-300 for an Iranian F-14 fighter heading towards the ship, then engaged in a fight with Iranian

U.S. experts said a major question was how the cruiser, equipped with the navy's most sophisticated radar missile system, confused the two vastly-different sized aircraft. Iran's Foreign Minister Ali

Akbar Velayati told U.N. Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar the missiles were fired deliber-Calling for condemnation of

Washington and for U.N. experts to visit the scene, Velayati said: "This attack, which definitely has

Vincennes which shot down an Iranian airliner in the Strait of

The U.S. guided missile destroyer



**U.S.** withdrawal from Gulf MOSCOW (Agencies) — The for a harsh, anti-American state- Hans-Dietrich Genscher express Soviet Union Monday described ment over the incident made by ed his "great shock," and said the as a tragedy the shooting down of an Iranian airliner by the U.S. navy in the Gulf and called on

Washington to withdraw its forces from the area promptly. But an official statement issued by the TASS news agency and read at a news conference by

Foreign Ministry spokesman Gennady Gerasimov appeared aimed at avoiding dramatic accusations against the United

"The tragedy yet again confirms that the American fleet must leave the waters of the Persian Gulf without delay," the statement said.

Its moderate tone contrasted sharply with a commentary for foreign listeners by Moscow radio. It described the incident on Sunday in which 290 people died as "deliberate mass murder in cold blood."

The spokesman, asked why the statement was mildly phrased. said Moscow did not want to follow "the bad example... of the totally wild anti-Soviet reaction' in the U.S. to the Soviet downing of a South Korean airliner in

That incident, in which 269 passengers died after the plane. had flown into sensitive Soviet air space in the Far East, brought bitter condemnations from President Reagan and a freeze in relations between Washington and Moscow.

Throughout the Gulf region. much of the blame for the deaths was put by officials and newspapers on the Iran-Iraq war, now in its eighth year, and the consequent military build-up in the

Egypt's Foreign Minister Esmat Abdul Meguid said the painful loss of life should prompt the world to work for peace in the Gulf conflict.

Turkey, which has worked to maintain links with both Tehran and Baghdad, said: "Turkey has repeatedly expressed its belief that the Iran-Iraq war in general and the situation in the Gulf in particular, should be given a peaceful solution as early as possible..."

China condemned the downing of the aircraft and said it opposed "big power military involvement"

Japanese government officials side-stepped an Iranian request | Zambia.

ment over the incident made by ed his "great shock," and said the Majid Raeisi Nia, Tehran's charge d'affaires in Tokyo.

A Foreign Ministry official said Ministry Deputy Director-General Takeshi Ohara explained Japan's position, as outlined in a statement issued earlier by cabinet secretary Keizo Obuchi. Obuchi's statement said Japan expressed regret and called for an

early, peaceful solution to the Iran-Iraq war. In Kuwait, the government also issued an appeal for an end

to the Iran-Iraq war, cautioning that "more painful incidents" will occur if the conflict drags on. Lebanon's acting Prime Minister Salim Al Hoss offered condo-

lences to Iran and expressed sympathy to the relatives of the dead. India deplored as an act of violence the U.S. action. The spokesman said Prime

Minister Rajiv Gandhi had extended his sympathies to Iran and to the families of the nine Indian victims who were aboard the In statement issued in Bonn,

West German Foreign Minister

tragedy pointed out the necessity of continued efforts to end conflict in the region.

Greece, meanwhile, blamed

the United States and called for "calmness and self-restraint." "This tragic event that cost the

lives of so many people is an international responsibility of the United States and we hope there will be sanctions against those directly responsible," government spokesman Sotiris Kostopoulos said.

Belgium also expressed shock, with Foreign Affairs Minister Leo Tindemans calling the incident a "tragic error" that underlined the "absolute necessity to quickly find a peaceful solution for the Iran-Iraq conflict, the source of tensions in the region.

Austrian Chancellor Franz Vranitzky, currently on a visit to London, expressed his regret and

called for a peaceful solution to the Gulf conflict. President Otto Stich of Switzerland sent Iran condo-

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# Harare accuses S. Africa of foiled rescue attempt

Monday that South Africa tried to rescue six suspected agents on their way to a court hearing last week.

Sekeremayi told a news conference the failed attempt, in which an 11-year-old girl was shot in the stomach, had the backing of the South African government.

He said the girl was shot by a white Zimbabwean air force pilot who escaped to South Africa after the rescue was aborted.

force Augusta Bell helicopter and escaped with one other member of the rescue squad. The rescue bid took place on June 30 when the six men, held

since January in connection with bomb attacks on the African National Congress (ANC), were on their way to court from Chikurubi prison outside Harare.

Other South African agents were thought to be still at large in

Two members of the rescue squad were held while trying to enter Zimbabwe at Kazungula. the border post where Botswana, Zambia and the South Africancontrolled Caprivi Strip, part 6. Namibia, Adjoin Zimbabwe.

The two escaped from a police camp by scaling a wire fence. One was later caught.

"It is known that several groups of South African military personnel were to have been used in this rescue attempt," Sekeremayi said.

Kane stole the helicopter from New Sarum air base, outside Harare, taking off without a co-pilot

"When they realised that we had taken enough precautions and they had no possibility what-

HARARE (R) — Zimbabwe said Zimbabwe.

Security Minister Sydney

The pilot, named as Group Captain Gary Kane, stole an air

Sekeremayi said one person, a white; was in custody after being arrested at Kazungula border post between Zimbabwe and

or engineer and flying to a firing range near Chikurubi prison.

soever of staging a successful rescue they then decided to uplift only one of the commandos who was in the area and flew off," the minister said.



# review Arab issues

The King's visit was within the

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message from His Majesty King Hussein. The message was delivered by Foreign Minister Taher Al Masri.

The foreign minister also conferred with his Moroccan counterpart

tyrdom... we will stand steadfast

# Israeli army closes all W. Bank schools

**Jerusalem commission** 

AMMAN (J.T.) — The Royal Commission on Jerusalem Affairs

Monday deplored Israel's attempts to carry out excavation work in

the Haram Al Sharif complex and paid tribute to the Arab people of

Commission member Raef Nijem said in a statement carried by

the Jordan News Agency, Petra, that the Israeli attempt was clearly

designed to endanger the holy sites at Haram Al Sharif and to

obliterate the Islamic cultural and historical character of the Holy

The excavation, which is designed to open a tunnel allowing Jews to reach the holy site from underground, has brought about the collapse of a number of historic buildings above the tunnel and

He said that in view of the Israeli army's support for the excavators and in the light of the failure by the United Nations

Educational Scientific and Cultural Organisation (UNESCO) to

interfere and stop the diggings despite repeated Arab appeals, the

Muslim people of the Holy City had no alternative but to clash with

Nijem said the Israelis had already dug 600 metres underground

Demonstrations erupted in Jerusalem Sunday when diggers

guarded by soldiers and border police began to excavate what was

who responded with tear-gas and Palestinians from mosque louds-

the excavators and troops and force them to stop the work.

to reach the western walls of the Al Aqsa Mosque.

condemns digging

OCCUPIED JERUSALEM (Agencies) — The Israeli occupation authorities closed all 1,200 schools in the occupied West Bank Monday in a move to curb protests and Palestinians demonstrated against an Israeli excavation near Islamic holy sites in

Jerusalem. Brigadier-general Shaike Erez. the West Bank "administrator," said the schools' 300,000 students would be without classes for three days from Tuesday. The occupation authorities reopened the schools only last month after clo-

sures of up to five months.
"We will close the schools because students aren't studying but demonstrating," Erez told repor-

The Israeli army reported de-monstrations by Palestinians across the West Bank.

Palestinians said they were pro-

testing against an Israeli excava-

tion in Jerusalem Sunday that Islamic leaders said threatened to encroach on the nearby Al Aqsa Demonstrations by stone-

throwing crowds erupted from Nablus and Qalqilya to Ramallah and Bethlehem in the West Bank, and several schools closed in protest. Armed forces radio reported demonstrations in Jerusalem.

Palestinians said the army barred passage to and from Al Amari refugee camp, while it confined residents to their homes in Deir Ammar village and the

neighbouring camp. According to Israeli officials. the closure of schools was timed to coincide with a call by the leaders of the uprising to rename all Arab schools Tuesday, giving

them more Palestinian, nationalistic names. In Bethlehem, hundreds of stu-

By Rana Sabbagh

Reuters

countries have not contributed

funds, a cabinet minister said

Occupied Territories Affairs

Reuters Jordan was still commit-

ched in November 1986 despite

"Although the June (Arab

League) summit made no direct

financial pledges to Jordan, we

shall not stop our financial sup-

port to Palestinians living under

The Arab summit in Algiers

pledged an undisclosed sum to

the Palestine Liberation Orga-

the lack of Arab support.

Îsraeli rule," he said.

Monday.

described as a second century B.C. water tunnel at one of several entrances to Haram Al Sharif. dents demonstrated on the main considered charging prayer lead-road, hurling stones at troops ers with "inciting" hundreds of

cracks in many others, Nijem said.

stopped their work.

Officials at Beit Jalla hospital said they treated dozens of students for tear-gas inhalation. An AP reporter saw one Bethlehem school which was renamed ber bullets to end a two-hour and had a sign "Intefada,"

rubber bullets.

near Hebron, Israeli officials said

tunnel beneath Al Aqsa Mosque. Troops used tear-gas and rubbattle at the site, and Israeli apparently in compliance with the officials agreed to delay the work leaflet issued by the uprising for several weeks while coordinating with the Waqf (Islamic Trust), which owns the area.

peakers to protest Sunday at the

excavation site of what was de-

scribed as a 2,000-year-old water

Israeli Arabs wrote to Israeli

In Susiya, an Israeli settlement Palestinian demonstrators up- leaders to protest at the demoli-

rooted 400 plants and pine trees. tion of five buildings in two Arab In Jerusalem, Israeli police villages. **Dudin: Jordan will continue** 

W. Bank development scheme

month-old Palestinian uprising in the West Bank and Gaza, but promised only in general terms to AMMAN — Jordan will maintain continue financial support to Jorits development programme in the Israeli-occupied West Bank dan and Syria. Jordan has allocated JD 10 and Gaza Strip even though Arab million in its annual budget for

billion programme. "The plan we produced was too theoretical... the figure envis-Minister Marwan Dudin told aged in it was the maximum and ted to the five-year social and what we paid was the minimum," economic development plan launsaid Dudin.

the past two years towards what

was originally envisaged as a \$1.3

"Our programme is built on our budget allocation plus the \$14 million from USAID (U.S. Agency for International Development) that we have in hand," Dudin said. "We are doing fine within this budget."

He said Jordan would also go on paying JD 9 million a year in salaries to 13,000 teachers and civil servants in the West Bank, other countries to help finance nisation (PLO) to help the six- as it has done since 1967.



Dudin described Jordan's expenditure in the occupied territories as "minimal and symbolic."

"Stopping this will only hurt people," he said. "We will continue with the development plan and will seek loans or grants from in the Gulf.

# Warmth and spirit give strength to village pottery

### Photos and text By Jim Mason and Loring Taylor Illustrations by Jim Mason and Oksana Taylor

becomes an end in itself, the small practical touches which make the country brig functional can easily be swept aside or ignored. Yet it is in this very functionality that the soul, so to speak, of the maker is manifested or revealed. According to the society and the family, the city brig was made by a man; the country brig was made by a

The women potters of the village rarely, if ever, worked alone. They did their work in a dual context — of the family and of the society. Women's tasks were frequently communal in nature sometimes involving women from the immediate family, and at other times involving ladies from the neighbourhood or com-

Within a traditional village setting, each woman was sustained, in particular at key moments, by a closed society of other women. Such moments might include repeated or seasonal activities, such as picking olives, as well as particular events, such as child birth, preparation of the bride for the wedding, etc. Women would gather and endow such occasions with a supportive and festive

constituted such a social occasion. First, the clay had to be

As technology advances, and which might be several hours exhibition of technological skill away. The location of such deposits was a special and arcane knowledge. like the secret lore of the herb gatherer. The evening before they would go to fetch the clay, a group of ladies would gather at one of the houses. where they might discuss the following day's journey, after which divisions of labour within the the chatter might subside into reminiscing about the past about other occasions when similar trips had occurred.

As dawn broke, and all the ladies had arrived, various articles and implements would be tied onto the donkeys - sacks. shovels, and food. As on most social occasions among Jordanians, they easily broke into song. They can almost be heard now, as they proceeded along the dusty lanes in the early morning, their rhythmic, swaying music filling the air: Laughing, singing and joking, becoming acquainted with the latest gossip of the district. Some older women - dressed in their colourfully embroidered black dresses — still re-member these trips as times of happiness and levity - times when necessity or the making of a marriage gift would motivate them to make their pots. Moreover, it was a time of welcome release from other chores, a time of meeting and sharing in a re-Each step in the making of pots laxed but constructive mood. The songs that were sung on such occasions are still remembered by fetched by donkey, from deposits some of the older village women.

the ladies would undertake the preparation of the clay - extending their time together. First, they would remove any unwanted organic matter and large pebbles that would explode in the firing. The next step consisted of screening and removing smaller stones and other hard particles. Then they would begin working the clay. This would first be done with wooden implements to crush the raw dry clay. Two or three women could prepare approximately forty or fifty kilos, treading it together. The clay would then be wetted, and the process of kneading would begin. A quantity of clay would be prepared on the ground, by several ladies working the clay with their bare feet. This stage provided the potters with an opportunity to communicate with the medium, to feel the working consistency and nature of the clay.

After preliminary kneading, grog and other inclusions would be added to the clay body. These might include basalt or ground up sherds, which would have been prepared separately, sand, goats' hair or strands from a plant known locally as torraish. The goats' hair would be added to give dry strength to the pot, as well as to improve the ability to make coils string together in longer pieces. The goats' hair would burn out during the firing. After the additions had been worked into the mass, a final kneading would be done. Wedging, or cutting the clay into chunks and rejoining it, is rarely practised

The process of building up the pots began with the base, which would frequently be smeared over the surface of an upturned patting, rubbing, virtually carresof forcing the material or imposover. This was followed by the gradual addition of thick coils or slabs placed onto the rim and dampen the area which the additions would touch. With a large pot this process must proceed slowly, sometimes over a period of several days, as the weight of the wet clay might cause the body to collapse. The form thus seemed to emerge of itself, an organic growth expressing a common will. Even children might join in

Finally, when the pots had to bring forth what was, in every sense, a product of the earth.

tery was integrated in a complex manner within the entire life of the family in a village. It was an integral aspect of the cycle of the seasons. It provided each woman a tangible sense that she had contributed to the formation of her home. Some women were of course more experienced - they had participated in the process each season for many years. Other women might participate for one or two years - just enough to supply the household with the pots she needed. However, the knowledge of making this pottery was shared by all the women. And the songs commemorating and celebrating this process provided a joyous focus. It could not be sufficient for a few people to maintain sufficient skill communal tradition.

may find, in some antique or ledge. Academic specialisations curiosity shop, some of these pots are replacing a broad range of for sale by dealers uncertain of or survival skills. Traditional distinc-

basket. The clay would be spread over this temporary base with the aid of many hands, smoothing, sing. There was little suggestion ing one's will on the clay, as a skilled potter working a wheel is tempted to do. After the clay had stiffened up the basket would be removed and the base turned held in place, using water to the process.

been left to stand and semi-bake in the summer sun for periods ranging up to several weeks, the communal activity would recommence with the firing of the pots, using dung with brush wood as a starter. The pots would then undergo their test or trial by fire, which would either give birth to a good pot or cause its death which undoubtedly was rather frequent. The birth of the pot, or its removal from the makeshift "kiln" was a social event shared by the ladies and analogous to the birth of a child. The ladies would eagerly dig into the bed of dirt, with its covering of charred dung,

fashion of using them to decorate their yards or gardens. But in this process the pots have been removed from their village context and re-objectified as commercial objects, to be evaluated accord-The ceremony of making poting to alien aesthetic criteria. What does a tourist see when he looks at such a pot? Does the tradition somehow inhere within the form, accessible to an outside observer? Can one read the forms of the pots as hieroglyph, icon or symbol of a coherent cultural Perhaps within a generation Jordanians themselves may not be able to read the language of these pots. One village lady remembered certain pots which had been made by her husbands sis-

ter. But the pots had been destroyed when the roof of the house had collapsed. She recounted the tale of this loss with good humour. Jordanian society is changing, albeit somewhat fitful-Houses in villages and towns to make pots which could be sold are now being built apart from commercially, even if only to the each other, disrupting the former other villagers. For the tradition sense of community. People's of village pottery to remain a lives within their houses are beliving tradition, it had to remain a coming more isolated. Competitive schooling is replacing shared, A tourist, coming to Jordan, communal acquisition of know-

even evasive about their prove-

nance. Indeed, a modest market

has arisen for such pots. Some are

bought by visitors, in particular

from Germany. A few wealthy

Jordanians have adopted the

tions between men's and women's roles are becoming blurred. It is no longer considered shameful for a wife or even a woman to work outside the house. Mass produced products and foods are flooding home and

Variations in regional styles - Sifil -- oil storage jar. And Hoeq vessel for transporting oil.

A clay water jug

The weather will continue to be dry

and warm, with winds at times north-

casterly moderate and variable. In Aqaba, the winds will be north-westerly moderate and calm seas.

Yesterday's high temperatures: Amman 34.3. Aqaba 39.8. Humidity readings: Amman 19\_per cent, Aqaba 20

MONEY EXCHANGE

Local sell/buy rates in fils Belgian franc (for 10) ...... 95.6/ 96.6 Dutch milder 177.6/ 170.4

Dutch guilder 177.6/ 179.4
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ROYAL JORDANIAN FLIGHTS

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this tradition of pottery is disappearing. It is now possible to assess this

market. People are becoming cut

off from the earth. The entire

social context which gave rise to

tradition from a certain perspec-



ceramics, this localised potting tradition may seem an aberration. a throwback, a momentary expedient, at best a small step in a line of progress leading inexorably to ceramic specialisation. Yet this tradition seems to us something more than this. In its own day the tradition was coherent and fulfilled, sufficient unto itself. It was a separate and viable line of ceramic evolution. an attractive alternative to competition, specialisation and commercialisa-The forms of village pottery

tive. Within the broad history of

arose out of consensus and communal need rather than being imposed by an alien industry. They combined functionality with expressiveness. The pots constitute fully articulated statements in themselves, not seeking further technological innovation. The slab and coil methods are perfectly suited to their function. Even with such a modest innovation as a potters' wheel, something is lost as well as gained. The machine which helps one create forms also determines - even imposes the forms to be created. The forms produced by the village potters are similar tical — this is communal production, not mass production. The expression grew from the definite pragmatism present in the potters attitudes. Such expression reveals a hardened beauty of village affairs, which in broad terms is endearingly human. This warmth gives the pots spirit, and finally their strength.

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# **Prince** Raad to chair seminar on handicapped

AMMAN (Petra) - A seminar will be held here Tuesday under the chairmanship of Chief Chamberlain Prince Raad Ibn Zaid to discuss a national centre for the rehabilitation of handicapped people in Jordan.

The seminar will dwell on a comprehensive report by a technical committee formed by the Ministry of Social Development on the feasibility of the projected centre which will carry out assessment of handicaps of various types and degrees and discuss steps to be taken for bringing the centre into being.

The centre, the first of its type in the Kingdom, will diagnose handicaps and offer guidance to the handicapped and their families and provide services to them, according to the director of the Ministry of Social Development's Special Education Department.

He said that the assessment of the handicap will be the first step for defining the type of rehabilitation or therapy needed for each

A committee which prepared the ground work for the project included representatives of the Lower House of Parliament, the Ministries of Education and Social Development, the University of Jordan, the Royal Medical Services, the National Centre for Mental Health, the Nazek Al Hariri Special Education Centre, the General Union of Voluntary Societies and the Queen Alia Centre for the Hearing Impaired. | Children's Congress that ended in

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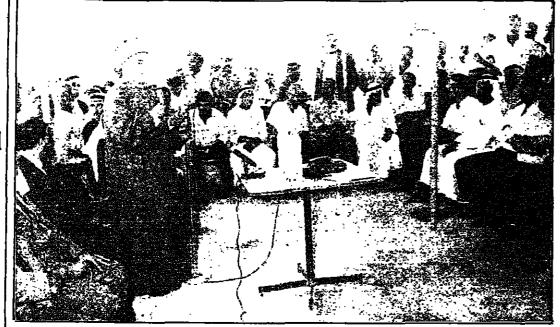
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Minister of Awqaf and Islamic Affairs Abdul Aziz Palestinian lands occupied since 1948 at the pil-

# Khayyat welcomes 1st group of Palestinian pilgrims at Shuneh

SOUTH SHUNEH (Petra, J.T.) - The first group of pilgrims from Palestinian lands occupied since 1948 arrived at the Jordan Valley town of South Shuneh Monday across the King Hussein Bridge on the Jordan River.

A ceremony to greet the pilgrims at the pilgrims camp here was organised by the Ministry of Awqaf and Islamic Affairs attended by Minister of Awgaf Abdul Aziz Al Khayyat and the South Shuneh district governor.

Khayyat addressed the pilgrims, welcoming them to Jordan and wishing them a happy and successful trip.

Nearly 5,000 pilgrims from the occupied Arab territories, have registered with the Ministry of Awqaf t · perform this year's pilgrimage o the holy places in Saudi Arabia.

The arr.vals will stay at the camp, held at Ghor Nimrein, for a few hours to rest before resuming their trip to Mecca.

The Ministry of Awqaf and Islamic Affairs, which supervises the pilgrims' transportation and accommodation services, have contracted local transport companies to carry the pilgrims to and from Mecca and Medina.

The ministry has already made arrangements for the accommodation of the pilgrims in the two cities. The pilgrimage precedes the Eid Al Adha (Feast of the Sacrifice) which falls around

# Arab children leave for home

AMMAN (J.T.) — Delegates Amman Sunday started leaving who took part in the 8th Arab for home Monday.

until suitable solutions are found

the problems impeding develop-

ment efforts and proposed that

special financial allocations be

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**NATIONAL NEWS BRIEFS** 

CABLE TO VENEZUELA: His Majesty King Hussein has sent a

cable of good wishes to the Venezuelan president on his country's

Independence Day anniversary. The King wished the president

continued health and happiness and more progress and prosperity for

TRIBUTE TO JORDAN: The Kuwaiti daily Al Ra'i Al Aam has

published an article paying tribute to Jordan for its endeavours to

rally Arab ranks and enhance solidarity among Arab states. The

paper paid tribute to His Majesty King Hussein's efforts at the

Amman summit last November when he exerted strenuous effort to

help the summit adopt favourable resolutions. The paper said that

Prime Minister Zaid Rifai's visit to Syria and his talks with President

Assad and other government officials were in expression of Jordan's

SAFOUT-AIN BASHA BRIDGE: The Ministry of Public Works

for exchange of expertise with regards to maintenance of Islamic

heritage, basic services in cities, combatting pollution, architectural

MARTIAL ARTS: The Arab Military Sports Federation Monday

opened a training course on martial arts in Amman. The nine-day

course is attended by participants from Jordan, Iraq, Syria, Tunisia,

continued endeavours to strengthen inter-Arab solidarity.

cided to close down the wells with their priorities.

Children from Egypt, Algeria, the United Arab Emirates, Sudan, Iraq and Oman have already left the country; and by July 7, all the children will be back with their families in their home country.

The children who concluded their congress with a visit to Her

Majesty Queen Noor to thank her for the hospitality accorded to them in Jordan, said in a joint statement that they felt more attached to their Arab Nation and more determined to help serve the cause of Arab unity.

The week-long congress was sponsored by the Noor Al Hussein Foundation (NHF).

# FAO specialist starts agricultural survey

SALT (Petra) - A specialist which are included in a project and Agriculture Organisation with FAO assistance. (FAO) has embarked on an agri-

cultural survey in Balqa . .

from the United Nations Food for the development of highlands Following the survey, the spe-

cialist will draw up a study on Ministry of Agriculture offi- means to improve the use of cials said the specialist will ex- machinery on sloping hills which amine the employment of the ministry is now trying to machinery on the pieces of land, reclaim and cultivate.

# **Egypt's public security** chief arrives in Amman

AMMAN (Petra) — Egyptian Public Security Director Major General Mamdouh Bura'i arrived in Amman Monday on a six-day visit to Jordan and talks with Public Security Department (PSD) officials on Jordanian-

Egyptian cooperation in police

related affairs.

al Maj.-Gen. Nasouh Muhieddin
Maj.-Gen. Bura'i will visit and senior PSD officers were at police institutions and acquaint the airport to welcome the Egyphimself with the Jordanian ex- tian visitor.

periments in the application of the comprehensive security sys-tem in the Kingdom. Bura'i will also tour archaeolo-

gical and touristic sites in the country. PSD Assistant Director Genertional teams. al Maj.-Gen. Nasouh Muhieddin

team at Um Qais.

of Antiquities has completed survey at Um Qais which precedes excavations for the ancient city of Gadara. The Jerash festival will include

16 performances by Jordanian groups, neighbouring Arab countries and 13 major shows from

there will be exhibitions of photographs, handicrafts, books and a traditional poetry festival.

Special tents have been prepared to serve as restaurants for visitors and a special cleaning company has been hired to ensure maximum comfort for visi-

# Beggar's nephews get inheritance

A report in Al Dustour Arabic daily said that upon the death of the beggar called Rashida, the authorities discovered that she left behind a fortune deposited

The Sharia Court found that the late Rashida was survived by two nephews Mohammad and Jamal and accordingly ruled that each nephew will receive JD 41,476 and that JD 2,800 should be paid to the court as fees and the cost of formal procedures while JD 150 should go to the woman

# Kingdom has 35 per 1,000 infant mortality rate

# Jordan leads Arab World in primary health care — Reid

By Rania Atalla Jordan Times Staff Reporter

AMMAN --- With an infant mortality rate of 35 per 1,000 live births, Jordan has now joined China, Venezuela, and Sri Lanka as a model country in primary health care, UNICEF (United Nations Children's Fund) Regional Director Richard Reid said Monday.

With a 98 per cent coverage against polio and triple: vaccine (DPT), and an 87 per cent coverage against measles for children under the age of one, the Kingdom is now considered one of the leading countries in the Arab World in the protection of children against preventable diseases. Reid added.

Speaking at a press conference held jointly by the Ministry of Health and UNICEF, Reid said the figures quoted were the result of a survey carried out in May, covering 11,290 mothers in all governorates in the Kingdom.

"This is an exceptional infant mortality rate (IMR) that puts Jordan in a category by itself in child protection," Reid said in reference to the Kingdom's IMR of 35 per 1,000 live births for children up to five years of age.

He said that development planners and economists consider the IMR as "the most sensitive indicator of how well a country is the survey showed the differences developed," and estimated the in the immunisation coverage be-IMR for the region at "a little tween the different governorates over 70 per 1,000."

According to Reid, Jordan has difference at 3 per cent. already surpassed the goal,

adopted by the Arab health ministers in April, of reducing in 1990 and in all Arab countries, the IMR to 50 per cent of the figure it was in 1980.

Jordan's IMR in 1980 was 75 per 1,000 live births, Reid said, and the survey, which was carried out jointly by the Health Ministry and UNICEF, showed that there is "a sharp fall" in the IMR which will continue to decrease further.

Reid said three factors were behind the reduction in the IMR in Jordan: The steady expansion and improvement of the primary health care (PHC) system in Jordan; the high level of immunisation coverage; and the "remarkable" work done against dehydration and diarrhoea, which he said was the "main cause of child death in the world."

The Director of the Department of Communicable Diseases at the Ministry of Health. Hani Al Shammout said that results of was "minimal." He estimated the

"The highest immunisation



Richard Reid

coverage was found to be in the Balqa Governorate and the lowest in Amman," Shammout

Reid attributed that difference to the difficulty of doing house by house visits in the urban areas due to the concentration of the population.

Reid said that when given shots for polio and measles, and the triple vaccine (which protect against diphtheria, whooping cough and tetanus), children have a "basic shield against killer diseases that are preventable by immunisation.

"Jordan can be one of the first countries in the region to reach the WHO goal of eradicating polio in the world," Reid said, adding that few countries in the world, both developing and developed, have reached the level

of immunisation against polio that Jordan has attained.

Even some West European countries and some states in the United States of America did not reach the level of child immunisation coverage against measles that Jordan has achieved. Reid said.

He said that last year, and among the large countries in the region (more than 50 million inhabitants). Egypt had the highest immunisation coverage rate, which he said was 82 per cent for polio and DPT and 76 per cent for measles. He added that in comparison to Egypt. Jordan's performance in immunisation 'stands out.'

Reid said the possibility exists of the immunisation figures declining in the future. He cited Turkey and Syria as examples of countries that achieved high immunisation coverage during 1985 and 1986, but saw a decline after

However, he noted, neither of these two countries had "a health structure and network as good as

Now that Jordan had achieved a landmark in primary health care, UNICEF's attention will be focused on the "development rather than the survival of children" in the country, Reid said.

PHC Director Suleiman Qube'in said that Jordan is working towards achieving the "Health for all by the year 2000," a goal set by the WHO.

# Hammouri Training course for teachers of pre-school classes opens at Ahlia AMMAN (Petra, J.T.) — A two-

week advanced training course for teachers at the pre-school stage opened at the Ablia (formerly CMS) School in Amman Monday. A total of 35 participants are

taking part in the course, which is organised by the Noor Al Hussein Foundation (NHF) in cooperation with the University of Jordan, to promote methods of teaching children at this stage and upgrading the teachers' capabili-

Dr. Eleanore Duff from the United States is directing the training course in cooperation with three other foreign special-

of the NHF's preparations for establishing the first phase of a centre at the University of Jordan that caters for teaching children at pre-school age.

An NHF official said that the initial stages of the project which began in 1986 entailed developing curricula and teaching materials for children, and training was proficiency. then given to teachers working at kindergartens in the SOS Children's Village at Tareq and the Salt Community Centre.

main centre and a model kinder- cently established under the garten at the University of Jordan chairmanship of Her Majesty and commencement of a similar Queen Noor.

The course is regarded as part project at Yarmouk University to serve the northern regions of the country.

According to the official the centre at the University of Jordan, which is to be called Centre for Early Childhood Education. is designed to enhance pre-school child development by improving curricular materials and teacher

He said the second phase of the project will also involve on-going research, information and activities which will be coordinated According to the official the with the National Association for second stage entails building the the Education of the Child re-



Health Minister Zaid Hamzeh presents the minis try's shield to Ain Al Shams University's Audiology Department Director Dr. Saleh Suleiman Monday

# Hamzeh, Egyptian expert discuss training Jordanians in audiology

the Audiology Department at the Egyptian Ain Shams University Dr. Salah Suleiman called Monday on Health Minister Zaid Hamzeh and discussed the prospect of training Jordanians for the National Jordanian Speech and Hearing Centre, which was opened here Sunday by Her Majesty Queen Noor.

Dr. Suleiman announced that his department will offer two scholarships for post graduate Jordanian students in audiology in 1988 and two more in 1989.

Hamzeh in return, presented the Egyptian visitor with the ministry's shield in recognition of his efforts to help establish the National Speech and Hearing Centre in Jordan.

The centre, inaugurated Sunday, will provide diagnostic and rehabilitation services for people of all ages with various degrees

and types of hearing problems. Hamzeh attended the opening ceremony with the Queen who inspected the centre's different sections and equipment.

AMMAN (J.T.) - Director of Also Monday Hamzeh posts for Jordanian doctors, but attended a ceremony for the unfortunately only 55 doctors swearing-in of 50 newly gradu- accepted the offer, which was ated Jordanian doctors and delivered a speech in which he pledged his ministry's continued endeavours to help find employment for Jordanian physicians

and specialists here and abroad. The health minister said he will lead a Jordanian delegation to nian doctors in that country.

made through the help of the ministry of health. Hamzeh roted. The minister urged the doctors

to benefit from all opportunities that can be presented through the Healte: Ministry. He said that the taking of oath

North Yemen shortly to discuss by doc. is was an essential prereprospects for employing Jorda- quisite for those joining the medical profession and practis-Libya made available 159 ing medicine in the Kingdom.

# **OBITUARY**

Al Bisharat and Abu Jaber families and their relatives and in-laws mourn the late Knight of the Holy Sepulchre, Najlaa Wasef Bisharat, wife of the late Kamal Bisharat and mother of Wasef, Hani, Ibrahim. Kamilia, Salma, Basma and Dina, who passed away

Monday, July 4, 1988.
The funeral will be held at Al Bishara Roman Catholic Church in Jabal Luweibdeh today, Tuesday, July 5 at 3:00 p.m. after which she will be laid to rest in the same church.

Condolences will be accepted from men and women at the deceased's residence in Jabal Luweibdeh, Amman.

has allocated JD 20,000 to restore the Safout-Ain Al Basha Bridge in Balqa Governorate, and has arranged for a detour to be used by vehicles until work has been completed. RAWABDEH RETURNS: Greater Amman Mayor Abdul Ra'ouf Al Rawabdeh Monday returned to Amman after concluding a seven-day visit to Morocco. During the visit, he signed the second part of Amman-Rabat twinship agreement and the executive programme stemming from this agreement. The programme provides

planning, and exchange of visits by youth, cultural, and sports **VETERINARY CLINIC:** The Agriculture Department director in Mafraq Monday said that JD 30.000 have been allocated for building

a veterinary clinic in Al Safawi Village. He added that another veterinary clinic will be handed over in Sabha Triangle. **ELECTRICAL PROJECTS:** The Jordan Electric Power Company (JEPCO) Director Monday said that JEPCO accomplished a number of projects during the first half of 1988 at the cost of JD 2,438,800. He added that the projects carried out last year cost JD 1,070,000.

Algeria and the United Arab Emirates. BAD FOOD DESTROYED: The Health Department in Amman last month destroyed unspecified quantities of food which was found to be unfit for human consumption and issued 52 fines and 461 warnings to merchants who violated health regulations. A department spokesman said that the department closed 43 stores and restaurants which were found to have violated health regulations.

AUB STUDENTS LEAVE: A delegation of students and staff members from the American University of Beirut (AUB) left here by land for Beirut via Syria ending a five-day visit to Jordan. According to Dr. Fawzi Al Haj, dean of the university's Students Affairs Department the visit was made upon an invitation by the Jordan University of Science and Technology in Irbid to establish strong links between teachers and students of the two universities. The 85-member delegation who included a sports teams played matches against teams from Jordanian universities and toured archaeological and touristic sites in the Kingdom.

KILLER GETS 10 YEARS: A 20-year-old man identified as AAA has been sentenced by the criminal court to 10 years in prison with hard labour for mudering his friend identified JM. The court said in its ruling that the victim was killed by a switch blade which the murderer used following a quarrel between the two in their small

HOUSING EXHIBITION: Chairman of the Board and Director of

Honsing Bank Monday opened the second Jordanian Housing

Exhibition. The exhibition is designed to familiarise Jordanian citizens and expatriates with the various housing projects, reactivate investment, and consolidate the expatriates ties with Jordan. KHASAWNEH RETURNS: Information Minister Hani Khasawneh Sunday returned home at the end of a four-day visit to Federal

Republic of Germany during which he underwent medical check ups

# **Annual Summer scout** camp in Ajloun opens

HMOUD MEETS KOREAN ENVOY: Agriculture

Minister Marwan Hmoud Monday conferred with South Korea's

ambassador to Jordan Tae-Jin Park on relations between the two

countries in the field of agriculture and means for developing

Hmoud discussed with Park the possibility of increasing Korea's assistance to Jordanian agricultural projects and training courses

They also discussed exchange of expertise in farming, and

Hmoud briefed the ambassador on Jordan's experiments and

government policies to stimulate and expand the agricultural

for Jordanian agricultural engineers and technicians.

AJLOUN (Petra) - The annual to offer useful work for their summer scout camp at Ajloun was opened here Monday with the participation of 200 scouts from different governorates.

bilateral cooperation.

Ministry of Education's Secretary General Munther Al Masri opened the camp with a speech in which he said that the camp offers a chance for the participants to exercise team work and to assume different responsibilities. Masri said that the scout camp

was a good opportunity for

youths from various districts to

come together and exchange ex-

country and society. The director of the Scouts De-

partment at the Ministry of Education, which organised the camp activities, delivered a speech on the occasion which was attended by senior ministry officials and directors of education in Ailoun district.

Later Monday, Masri visited Dibbin National Park where be opened a permanent site for camping and launched the activities of 150 students involved in perience and prepare themselves the camp programmes.

# inspects preparations for Jerash Festival

AMMAN (Petra, J.T.) - Minister of Culture and National Heritage Mohammad Hammouri Monday visited the Greco-Roman city of Jerash and inspected archaeological sites at Um Qais and Oweilbeh.

Accompanied by the Department of Antiquities Director minister also inspected preparations underway for the July 13 opening of the 1988 Jerash Festival of Culture and Arts.

A statement by the Jordan News Agency, Petra, said that restoration work is now underway at the Adrian Arch, the Forum, Zeus Vault, the Southern Gate and other areas of the ancient city of Jerash in cooperation with a number of interna-

The minister also inspected excavation work carried out by the Department of Antiquities in cooperation with a West German

Petra said that the Department

foreign countries.

Apart from the performances

AMMAN (J.T.) — The question of who should inherit nearly JD 90,000 left behind by a 90-year old beggar who died five months ago has finally been settled by the Sharia (Islamic) Court in Amman.

with the Arab Bank in Amman.

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# U.S. must accept blame

THE SHOOTING down of an Iranian civilian airliner by an American warship in the Gulf Sunday has been described by an American official as "an accident waiting to happen". That may be true, but it does not absolve the parties directly concerned of blame for the tragedy. We draw two principal conclusions from the incident: a) that the continuation of the Gulf war is bound to generate further tragedies such as this, and b) that the United States' exaggerated emphasis on technology and military overkill can never be a suitable response to essentially political disputes.

The Iranian government and people have suffered a string of recent setbacks in the political and military arenas, and they should realise that time only increases the odds against them in the war with Iraq. The Gulf war has included such borrors as attacks on cities, and the use of chemical weapons by both sides. It was probably inevitable that an accident such as the downing of the Iran Air civilian airliner would take place, and it remains likely that other similar, or even worse, tragedies will occur in the future. One way of helping to minimise such prospects is for Iran to accept the will of the international community and to enter into talks to resolve the conflict with Iraq according to U.N. Security Council resolutions.

The United States, for its part, must accept the major share of the blame for the accident and must recognise that military prowess is not the answer to all political or human dilemmas. We thought the United States learned its lesson in Lebanon several years ago, when all its naval firepower came to naught, and it had to retreat with several hundred dead American soldiers. The lesson is being learned again in the Gulf - or should be.

### ARABIC PRESS EDITORIALS



# Al Ra'i: 'Fruitful cooperation'

THE Joint Jordanian-Syrian Higher Committee held meetings over the past two days to assess the progress in the joint companies and draw up plans for future cooperation in economic and trade fields. Jordan's joint committees with Syria, Iraq and Egypt have succeeded in laying a strong foundation for close cooperation which is regarded essential for any national and pan-Arab work. Any success in endeavours by two or more Arab states is bound to have a beneficial effect on the Arab Nation as a whole and is bound to contribute to the development of the Arab region. The Jordanian-Syrian experiment aims to serve the people in both countries and pave the way for fruitful cooperation with other Arab states, and the committee meetings in Damascus constitute one more link in a long chain of efforts by the leaderships of both countries towards achieving more progress that can lead to economic integration. As we follow up news about the successful meetings we become more confident that the two Arab countries are following a sound course of action that would sooner or later open the door for a greater scope of cooperation and coordination among all Arab states.

# Al Dustour: Bolstering bilateral ties

THE Joint Jordanian-Syrian Higher Committee meetings can be considered as one more step towards bolstering bilateral relations under the guidance and directives of King Hussein and President Hafez Al Assad. There is no doubt that the great achievements realised through cooperation between Jordan and Syria in the past few years reflect the high degree of mutual understanding and determination on the part of both sides to forge ahead with greater impetus towards serving the Arab people in Jordan and Syria and the Arab Nation at large. Jordanian-Syrian cooperation and coordination attained good results in economic, agricultural and commercial fields and enhanced bilateral endeavours in other areas such as irrigation, transport, education, information, telecommunications and tourism. The joint companies operated by the two sides, especially the Jordan-Syria Land Transport Company and the Joint 'staritime Company, represent one form of strong cooperation and a model for other Arab countries to copy. The successful ir letings in Damascus have no doubt helped to strengthen bilater i ties and enhanced a commitment by Amman and Damasi s to offer services to the Arab Nation.

# Sawt Al Shazzb: Beneficial meetings

PRIME Minister, Zaid Rifai paid a two-day successful visit to Damascus to lead Jordan's side to the Joint Jordanian-Syrian Higher Committee meetings and to deliver a message from King Hussein to Syrian President Hafez Al Assad. The successful meetings form one more stage in the two countries efforts to promote their bilateral cooperation and coordination in trade, economic, and industrial fields. In the past two days, the prime ministers of Syria and Jordan, assisted by senior officials, reviewed progress in joint projects and companies and charted Plans for the future. Jordan, which is strongly related to Syria and other Arab countries, continues the drive towards bolstering these relations which are beneficial to all Arabs. The Damaseus meeting reflects, Jordan's orientation, and underlines the importance it attaches to its strong ties with all countries in the Arab

# Dukakis is attacked for fuzzy image

By Christopher Hanson

DAYTON, Ohio - Although Michael Dukakis is set to be named the Democratic Party candidate for November's presidential election, few Americans know much about him - and this is worrying his party handlers.
Polls show his image among voters is vaguely positive, but

Political analysts say this vagueness makes him vulnerable to attack in the campaign in the runup to the poll against Vice President George Bush, who will he the Republican Party candi-

Just two weeks ago, opinion polls showed Dukakis leading Bush by as much as 15 per cent. But a new gallup poll says Dukakis now leads by only five points, while an ABC news survey showed only three points separating the two.

This drop in support coincided with attacks by President. Reagan, Bush and other Republicans on Dukakis, who campaigned last week in Dayton and elsewhere in the drought-hit Mid-

The Republicans depicted the Massachusetts governor as a bigspending, tax-happy liberal so soft on crime that he backed a scheme in his own state to release murderers on weekend passes. Those attacks are just the be-

ginning, the analysts predict. They argue that Bush's own image is so negative that his only hope of victory is to make Dukakis look even worse.

Bush's gallup poll rating drop-ped from 67 per cent last year to only 50 per cent in May, when Dukakis' scored an impressive 66 per cent rating.

The survey showed that Bush's image had been hit hard by the Iran-contra scandal and that he was widely seen as "weak and

most Americans."

Republican political consultant Eddie Mahe said in an interview that little could be done to improve Bush's image, so the solution was to bash the Democrat.

"Every day all of us will carry around a baseball bat and figure out how we take another swing at Michael Dukakis — this is going to be a very, very brutal, noisy. disagreeable campaign to a lot of people," he said.

Bush's aides argue that voters will swing behind the vice president once they are persuaded Dukakis is, as the Republicans contend, far more liberal than

most people appreciate.

The aides insist that Dukakis's support is "soft" and could easily be eaten away. Pollsters agree.

The survey also showed most voters felt Bush — who served as envoy to China and director of the Central Intelligence Agency
— was much stronger than Duka-

unconcerned with the needs of kis in foreign affairs and overall experience.

Some Democrats say Dukakis could offset his foreign policy weakness by choosing as his running mate Ohio Senator John Glenn, a former astronaut and war hero.

Dukakis appeared with Glenn in Dayton and drew wild applause by suggesting the senator was in the running. But Dukakis stressed he had not yet made a decision.

In his Midwest swing, Dukakis was clearly working to define himself to voters as moderate, competent, tough and compas-

He stressed themes with broad appeal - helping drought-hit farmers, fighting drugs, seeking full employment. But, citing the Reagan administration's recordhigh budget deficit. Dukakis refused to commit himself to many specific social service spending

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# We must do better

Editor's Note: The following was originally sent as a letter to the Ministry of Tourism

After returning from holiday, June 17-26 in Damascus and Lattakia, I must make a strong complaint about the way travellers are treated upon re-entry into Jordan via Rumtha.

The Syrians were far more polite and efficient as we left their checkpoint. My daughters and I were graciously received into a clean, neat office by a well-groomed woman who treated us as if we were guests in her home. We sat comfortably while she asked us to declare the money in our possession and hand over the paper stating how much of what currency we carried upon entry. After pleasant conversation, she wished us a nice trip and said she hoped we had enjoyed our visit.

But, at the Jordanian checkpoint, what a contrast! Our possessions and baggage were literally ransacked, dirtied and thrown about. Fresh fruits were smashed; packages ripped; contents scattered and sweets crushed. My bag was burned on the front and the strap burned completely through.

Ladies were rudely directed to the female inspector by a policeman who pointed, then pushed us into a dim, fetid cell-like room to have our handbags searched. Seated on the grimy floor was a filthy gypsy woman, clothed in foul, torn black rags. Why do we have such person to receive travellers??!! This person is the first female one encounters upon entering Jordanian territory via Ramtha. What a welcome! And what a terrible image of our country to present to foreigners!!

We MUST do better than this!! Tourists confronted with such awful incidents may turn around and go home rather than visit our country. Or, having visited it, will never return and will tell every one they know what they have witnessed. Or maybe publish an article about their unfortunate experience. Our enemies would love to obtain such damaging material to cast a bad light on our

Never mind the coarse, abusive, insolent officials who tore the baggage apart: fouled anything left clean; kicked and threw things about and swore and yelled at all within hearing range. They also tore out all removable bits of the taxi interior and luggage boot, as well as the door panels. One hopes such harsh treatment is reserved for public vehicles and not costly private cars. In any case, there is no need for insults, blows, screaming and foul language during inspection, harassing and exhausting already weary travellers on a hot day.

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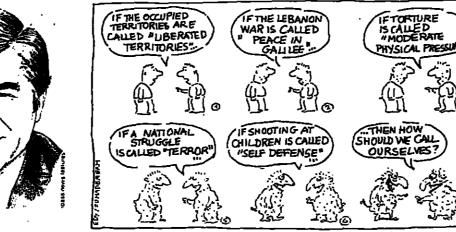
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Michael Dukakis

#### activities of the American-Israel Public Affairs Committee (AIPAC). It is reprinted from Power magazine. From David to Goliath

The following is the second of a two part series describing the

Much of the credit for the transormation of AIPAC from the David to the Goliath of lobbies belongs to Dine, a self-confessed "Brooks Brothers Jew." according to Tivnan's study. When Dine took over AIPAC from the irascible and undiplomatic Morris Amitay, few people in the Jewish political community had heard of him. Certainly no one expected him to emerge as the community's most powerful leader.

Dine was raised in Cincinnati and attended a Reform temple there. He received degrees from Colgate and UCLA, and after stints with the Peace Corps, the U.S. Foreign Service, and the Brookings Institution, he worked as an aide to Senators Frank Church, Edmund Muskie, and Edward Kennedy.

When AIPAC's search committee announced its choice, a number of people who knew him were surprised to learn that he was Jewish. Dine is what he calls "a new Jew." In America this often means as it does with Dine - a Jew who has little or no cultural or religious background but does have an overwhelming commitment to the state of Israel and is willing to exert himself financially or politically on its

His ascent to the top of America's most influential Jewish organisation reflects a generational transition in the Jewish political community. Previously the leaders of the community, including those who had helped to found AIPAC, were either rabbis or learned Jews; many of them were European refugees who had been steeped in the classic Jewish traditions, where Talmudic disputes are routine and intellectual and moral introspection is endless.

To many American Jews, particularly those who came of age after the holocaust, relentless self-questioning and adherence to absolute codes of moral behaviour are unaffordable luxuries in a world that harbours enemies such as Hitler. Many Jews with the latter mind-set have transferred their harred of

Hilter and European fascists to Arabs and their allies in the Soviet Thus, they believe, compromises with one's enemies - based on

either moral or idealistic grounds - would only sow the seeds of Israel's (and ultimately the Jewish people's) destruction. To this generation, politics is, to borrow from Karl von Clausewitz. the continuation of war - a war that the Jews' enemies have been

fighting as long as there have been Jews. Dine's mettle was first tested during the bitter dispute over the proposed sale of AWACs to Saudi Arabia in 1981. In a secret meeting Dine presented AIPAC's directors with a memo of his

strategy to defeat the proposed sale and then asked each of them to destroy the document in his presence. When AIPAC's opponents tried to convince Americans to view the controversy over whether to sell the airplanes as a contest between President Reagan and Israel's unpopular prime minister. Menachem Begin, the specter of political anti-Semitism in the United

States was raised as visibly as it had ever been. The Reagan or Begin formula may have achieved its ugliest manifestation when, according to Tivnan, a wavering Republican senator received a pro-AWACs call from Gerald Ford in which the former president reportedly asked, "Are we going to let the fucking Jews run American foreign policy?" (Ford denies having said this.) AIPAC leaned on every legislator with everything it had. Upon hearing that the late Senator Edward Zorinsky of Nebraska was planning to vote in favour of the sale. Dine called, Vito Corleonestyle, to say, "I can't stop you, but I wish you wouldn't, because I want you to have a good relationship with the pro-Israel community,

the vote. Dine slaughtered Reagan in the House, but the administration squeaked out the four-vote victory it needed in the Senate. It was, in Dine's worlds, "the benchmark. We lost the vote but we won the issue." In the following days Secretary of State Alexander Haig

and they are not going to forget this one." In what may be a record for shameless lobbying (no mean achievement), AIPAC mailed a

copy of the pulp novel Holocaust to each senator three days before

asked for Dine's help in getting a foreign aid bill passed. After the lobby's performance on the AWACs issue, whenever arms sales were proposed to Arab governments other than Egypt, the State Department usually consulted Dine first. In addition, AIPAC's membership rolls grew and its financial picture brightened, making it an even more formidable adversary for an administration that wanted to display any sympathy whatsoever for the plight of the Palestinians.

# The Percy factor

The dramatic improvement in AIPAC's ability to persuade didn't come about simply because everyone felt sorry for it after it lost the AWACs fight. It was rather the result of the lobby's willingness to make veiled threats and to back them up with political assassinations, Only a few casualties were necessary before most congressmen got

AIPAC's most celebrated victim, Charles Percy of Illinois, was viewed by all but the most secure pols as a sort of horse's head to anyone who considered stepping out of line. After the defeat of the well-connected and well-liked Republican senator in 1984, "the Percy factor" became an important addition to Washington's political

Percy had committed two unforgivable offenses. First, as the

chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee he had played a major role in shepherding the AWACs bill through the Senate. Second, shortly after taking over the committee, he had commented that Yasser Arafat, the chairman of the Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO), was "more moderate" than some of the organisation's radical elements. When Percy came up for reelection, AIPAC declared war against

AIPAC demands 100 per cent 'even when it hurts'

him on two fronts. Tom Corcoran, a right-wing Republican who challenged him in the primary, received \$285,000 from 55 pro-Israel PACs. With Percy weakened but not yet finished off, Paul Simon was abetted to the tune of \$3.1 million. In case anyone failed to understand the point. Dine spelled it out

for them. "All the Jews in America, coast to coast, gathered to oust Percy," he said. "And the American politicians - those who hold public positions now and those who aspire - got the message." More than \$1 million of Simon's out-of-state help reportedly came

from Michael Goland, an AIPAC member in Los Angeles. In a less than subtle attempt to exploit this success, in 1986 Senator Rudy Boschwitz of Minnesota invited Goland to speak with two colleagues who were wavering on a Saudi arms package.

At the meeting Goland speculated on what it would be like for the

two members if they were the targets of negative advertisements similar to those that had brought Percy down. The tactic backfired when the two senators walked out. Alan Simpson of Wyoming noted, "You cannot build friendship on threats of intimidation or talk of political retribution or the ancient game of keeping score." Nevertheless, the package, which had already been emasculated in an attempt to placate AIPAC, was roundly defeated.

The exact connection between AIPAC and the pro-Israel PACs almost all of which have nondescript names such as Roundtable PAC, National PAC, and Hudson Valley PAC - is a matter of considerable controversy. AIPAC would have it that it wouldn't know a pro-Israel PAC if it fell and broke its nose on it: the PACs. including the one directed by Dine's predecessor, Amitay, deny any direct connection to the lobby: The law dictates that it be this way: and connection would be a violation of federal election laws. In 1986, according to the Wall Street Journal, 51 of these pro-Israel PACs were operated by AIPAC officials or by people who held seats on

one of AIPAC's two governing bodies. There's also a remarkable degree of consistency in their donation patterns. For instance, in 1986 Senator Robert Kasten of Wisconsin received \$117,000 from 31 pro-Israel PACs, none of which was located in Wisconsin; 19 of the PACs had officers who were also members of AIPAC's executive committee or national council.

A half dozen of these AIPAC-affiliated officers vehemently deny receiving anything but the most general information from AIPAC. Still, the coincidence is rather amazing.

When one AIPAC-connected PAC officer was asked why his group donated to Kasten rather than to his opponent, Ed Garvey, the officer reportedly replied that as the president of the NFL Players Association Garvey hadn't taken a strong enough position against the

Dine refuses to discuss the issue with reporters. However, he authorised an AIPAC spokesman to read a statement to the Wall Street Journal in which AIPAC denied "most forcefully that any such coordination occurs," and insisted that the consistency of outlook is "a function of the nature of political activism and in no way connotes affiliation or connection.

# AIPAC's obsessiveness

One of AIPAC's greatest strengths is its obsessiveness. Dine apparently believes that if any dissenting legislator goes unpunished. his colleagues will perceive it as a signal to steal the cookies from the

In 1982 James Thompson, the governor of Illinois, received sustained support from the Chicago Jewish community, presumably because his opponent. Adiai Stevenson, had made a number of anti-AlPAC votes in the Senate.

The fact that Thompson's job had nothing to do with the Middle East wasn't seen as relevant by either Dine or AIPAC's supporters. Again. Dine spelled out the message for the politically hard-ofhearing. "The memory of Adlai Stevenson's hostility toward Israel during his Senate tenure lost him the Jewish vote in Illinois - and that cost him the election."

In 1986 AIPAC worried that Senator Alan Cranston of California. a staunch AIPAC ally, was in danger of defeat by Republican Congressman Ed Zschau. Zschau, who has had a troubled relationship with AIPAC, was reportedly approached by Goland at a reception. Zschau was told "I'm going to get you like I got Percy." Goland's employees then approached a far-right, anti-Zionist cadidate. Edward Vallens, with offers of \$120,000 in campaign funds allegedly from "very conservative Republicans who don't want Zschau in there" - to run a third-party campaign in order to split the anti-Cranston vote. Vallens received 109.856 votes. Zschau lost by

Campaigns such as Cranston's, in which AIPAC and the Jewish PACs go all out on behalf of liberal Democrats (who are traditionally favoured by Jews) are becoming increasing rare.

When Dine took over the organisation, he dipperently decided to redirect its sails into the winds of Reaganism. AIPAC's literature began to pay almost Reaganite attention to the Soviet threat. An AIPAC insider quoted by Tivnan put it this way: "We want to broaden Israel's support within the Right - with the people who don't care what's happening on the West Bank but care a lot about

To this end, AIPAC began to support New Right candidates over progressive candidates simply because they had voted for aid to Israel. Congressman Barney Frank of Massachusetts, one of the few

legislators who's willing to criticise AIPAC on the record, says that he shares the organisation's general philosophy when it comes to the Middle East but is bothered that the group lets "right-wing Republicans get off much too easy." Frank thinks that AIPAC forces liberals to work harder than New Right candidates to win its support because AIPAC fears to tread on the toes of its newfound allies. Indeed, in the immediate aftermath of the AWACs loss Dine

pinpointed the location of the lobby's weakness as "a lack of personal relationships" with the New Rights senators who had been elected in the Reagan landslide of 1980.

To address the problem, AIPAC launched a campaign designed to ingratiate itself with the Christian Right. It sponsored prayer breakfasts on Capitol Hill with Tel-Evangelists Jimmy Swaggart and Pat Robertson. It embraced the views of Jerry Falwell and other leaders of the movement even though one of them insisted that "God does not hear the prayers of a Jew."

In perhaps the most bizarre example of its toadving AIPAC failed to criticise the Far Right's hatchet man. Congressman Robert Dorman, when he called a Soviet spokesman a "disloyal, betraying dirty little Jew.'

The saying "If money talks, early money shouts" has become a che in the political world. The money provided by wealthy Jews to PACs that are directed by AIPAC members can ensure that a candidate gets a full hearing and prevent his opponents from getting the opportunity to speak out against him.

In 1986 right-wing senators in New york and Pennsylvania were boosted so powerfully by early pro-Israel money that their opponents were never given a chance to defeat them. Dine's denials to the contrary, almost no one in Washington

believes that AIPAC doesn't act as a guide, both for candidates and for PACs, when it comes to doling out pro-Israel money. Young candidates are often approached by local AIPAC members

when they're still in their state legislatures. The candidates are tutored on the Middle East and then financed when they decide to run for Congress. This aspect of AIPAC's work doesn't particularly annoy politi-

everyone understands. What ticks off many congressmen is how little running room AIPAC gives even to its friends -- particularly to "AIPAC refuses to grant that just as we have to vote for at least one big weapon system each year, we've also got to be able to go against the Israel lobby once in a while to prove our independence"

cians: it is, after all, the kind of old-time machine politics that

explains an aide "They demand 100 per cent every time, even when it hurts, even when they don't need you." One occasion that definitely raised the level of congressional resentment against the lobby was Dine's decision to help the administration press for a foreign aid bill in 1984. The bill incuded a number of Central American provisions that most liberals couldn't stomach. AIPAC made it clear that the vote would be considered a test of loyalty even though congressmen had assured Dine that

# Americans like Israelis

Israel's portion of the aid would be retained even if the bill failed.

The bill passed, according to many observers, largely because of

AIPAC's adversaries are convinced, perhaps out of wishful thinking, that the resentment that has been building in Congress against the lobby's strong-arm tactics will soon manifest itself in an angry backlash. Indeed, signs that AIPAC might be heading for trouble are easy to see. The Pollard case, the Iran-contra connection and recent television coverage of Israel's harsh military occupation of the West Bank and Gaza present a considerably less rosy picture of the Jewish state to Americans than the one that AIPAC presents to

A recent Los Angeles Times poll indicates that Americans, including Jewish Americans, are far more sympathetic to a Palestinian state and far more open to negotiations with the PLO than AIPAC will allow any congressman to be.

"Moreover, AIPAC's relentless campaign to shut down the PLO's information office in Washington and its United Nations mission seen by many to be a violation of First Amendment rights and international law - has been criticised across the board in the media and has even left a number of Israel's staunchest supporters noticeably uncomfortable.

But will the Arab lobby be able to exploit the undercurrent of resentment? When push comes to shove, as it inevitably does with AIPAC. Americans still like and admire the Israelis and not the

Phenomena such as terrorism and oil shortages, which AIPACs literature highlights, ensure that in the near future the Arabs will remain as unpopular with Americans as they are today. Indeed, when Arab leaders such as Jim Zogby and former Senator James Abourezk offer their help to political candidates, they are told, according to Zogby "that the best thing your people can do for me is to leave me

Of course, many American Jews object to the militantly right-wing definition that AIPAC has given to the term "pro-Israel" but these Jews remain underorganised and unfunded. The few times that major Jewish leaders questioned the policy of unquestioning support for the Israeli hard line, they quickly ceased to be major Jewish leaders-At the opening session of AIPAC's convention, Robert Asher, the

group's president, told the audience, "AIPAC is not - I repeat, not - the most powerful lobby in Congress .... All we have ever asked is that members hear our story and vote their conscience."

Seated next to Asher on the dais was Dine. I bet he was trying hard

# Jackson appeals for release of hostages

BEIRUT (R) - American politi- kidnapped by pro-Iranian funamascus de . cian Jesse Jackson appealed Monday to the captors of foreign hostages in Lebanon to free them as a step towards peace and ceived into security in the Middle East.

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"To those who are hearing me, release Terry Anderson, Terry Waite and all the hostages as an investment for a peaceful and secured future," Jackson said in an interview he gave at his home in Chicago. rags. Why d

Jackson said he was concerned at the fate of 10 American nationals who are among 18 Westerners missing in Lebanon and believed damentalists.

Anderson is an American journalist kidnapped in 1985. Waite. a British church envoy, was seized in 1987.

"Those people who are held as hostages were convicted and kept in captivity because of policies they did not make," Jackson said.

He was apparently referring to the policies of the American government in the region and towards Iran, whose revolutionary Islamic ideals are held by groups holding foreign nationals in

Jackson, who helped release an American pilot captured by Syrian forces in 1983, said:

"To those men in the Middle East who kidnapped foreigners through their battles of survival in



Jesse Jackson

order to maintain their struggle, I tell them:

You have expressed your stands, everybody has heard your voice and now the first step should be toward the solution. To keep holding the hostages means that the Middle East would the hostage of all hostages'.'

# Netanyahu wants new pact with U.S.

TEL AVIV (R) — The rising series of covert and in some cases leader of Israel's right-wing Herut party, Binyamin Netanyahu, says the United States should sign a NATO-style strategic alliance treaty with Israel to secure Western interests in the Middle East.

American-educated Netanyahu, 38, who quit as Israel's United Nations ambassador to run for parliament, said the treaty would form a basis for eventual peace between Israel and the

In an interview with Reuters. be also advocated expelling hundreds of Palestinian "inciters" to end the uprising in the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip.

"A formal treaty would not be subject to revocation like the existing memoranda of understanding. It would create an axis of stability and strength for Western interests in the Middle East," Netanyahu said Sunday.

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and the withdrawal of U.S. naval

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Ambassador Sirous Nasseri, head

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It said the Airbus airliner is

three times as long as F-14 and

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than the fighter, could not have

been travelling at more than

400 knots, well below the

speed of an attacking F-14; and

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Iranian Ambassador to France

Ali Ahani said Monday that the

jetliner received no advance

warning of what he called an

Speaking at a news conference

at the Iranian embassy, Ahani

said the attack against the jetliner

was "a perfect example of state

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overt alliances based on a formal strategic treaty between Israel and the United States.

"It would also give more assurance to those Arab leaders and states that seek protection from the radicals," he said.

U.S. leaders have avoided such a formal commitment to Israel Netanyahu caused an upset last week when he topped a firstround poll of Herut parliamentary candidates for the Nov. 1 elections. He wants to be prime

minister some day. The real conflict in the Middle East is not between Israel and the Arabs but between radicals and non-radicals," he said.

He stood firm by Herut's rejection of any withdrawal from the West Bank and Gaza Strip and rejected a U.S. proposal for a limited international conference to launch Arab-Israeli peace

According to Netanyahu, the

American government as crimin-

als and murderers," President Ali

Khamenei said in a message on

He said the downing of the plane was a "savage and ruthless

Iran's designated future leader,

focus its fight against the United

U.S. interests world-wide.

States while Muslims attacked

Diplomatic analysts said a bit-

But it was not clear just what

ter verbal attack on the United

Iran would do in retaliation at a

time when it sought to end its

diplomatic isolation over the

Iran-Iraq war and expand its fore-

The chief Iranair said the

Mohammad Reza Majidi, man-

aging director of Iranair, told Tehran Radio that Flight 655 was

"right in the middle" of a pre-

scribed 20-knot (nautical mile)

nonsense. They want to escape

international aviation experts to

go to Iran and examine docu-

ments relating to the incident.

including the plane's flight recor-

der. He did not say if the recorder

The commander of the USS

Vincennes said before leaving for

the Gulf that he would defend his

ship if threatened, and the Penta-

gon is standing by his decision to shoot down the passenger jet. Captain Will C. Rogers re-

ceived support Sunday from the

chairman of the joint chiefs of

staff, Adm. William Crowe, who

Majidi said Tehran had invited

"The Americans are talking

corridor when it was hit.

the shame," he said.

had been recovered.

Airbus had been on the correct

flight path when hit.

Iran vows to avenge U.S. attack on plane

Tehran Radio.

several children, have been reco- Ayatoliah -Hossein Ali Mon-

vered since the plane's destruc- tazeri, said his country should

ign ties.

"greatest danger" to Israel would be the establishment of a Palestinian state on the West Bank. Asked about a population ex-

plosion among he 1.5 million Palestinians in the occupied territories and the 700,000 Arabs in Israel, he said: "I think the demographic time-bomb is a

mythical exaggeration. "The real danger would be the establishment of a PLO 'terrorist' state on the mountains overlooking the Israeli coast. At that point, the clock would indeed start ticking for Israel."

Rejecting the "territorial compromise" proposed by Labour and the United States, he said: We don't think we can produce 'peace in our time' or peace tomorrow. We believe only an evolutionary approach can bring

"The only kind of reasonable peace we can have is an armed peace. This is the Middle East, not the middle west."

said the airliner was outside com-

mercial air lanes and ignored repeated warnings to pull away

from U.S. ships in the Gulf.
"A full investigation will be

conducted, but it is our judgment

that based on the information

currently available, the local

commanders had sufficient

reasons to believe their units

were in jeopardy and they fired in

ing" programme. "We've not done this as vigorously as we

Jackson said the administration

should clarify "to what end are we there. The issue is not did the

technology fail, did our compu-ters fail. Fundamentally, has our

Democratic nominee-to-be

Michael Dukakis said Sunday

that "our armed forces have a

right to defend themselves,'

while Republican George Bush

would not comment on the des-

In Dubai, the Iranian commun-

"Who believes that the Amer-

ity expressed anger at the United

icans thought the Airbus was an

F-14?" asked an official at the

Black banners flew at the Ira-

nian consulate in Dubai where

grieving relatives of passengers

from the Airbus gathered.

Iranian consulate.

truction of the Iranair plane.

sence in the Gulf.

should have done it."

policy failed?"

# Clashes engulf Bourj Al Barajneh

BEIRUT (Agencies) — Shells, grenades and machinegun bullets pounded a Palestinian refugee camp in south Beirut Monday wounding 20 women and children in renewed fighting between rival Palestinians.

Some 1,200 fighters loyal to delivered to international news Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO) Chairman Yasser Arafat fought off an assault by Syrian-backed rivals as refugees huddled for safety in basements, independent Palestinian sources

The sources, quoted by Reuters, said men of Arafat's Fateh mainstream faction in the PLO. defending the battered Bouri Al Barajneh refugee camp, and dissident forces under Abu Musa battled with artillery, mortars, rocket-propelled grenades and heavy machineguns.

Abu Musa's fighters encircling the camp, where an estimated 1,200 Arafat men were entrenched, pounded the narrow alleyways, tin shacks and concrete houses with artillery shells at dawn, the sources said.

an underground shelter, seriously wounding eight children and 12 women in the basement. "The women and children were

Four shells hit the entrance of

hiding in the shelter. Some of them got close to the entrance for a breath of air when the shells hit the place. They were all woundone source said.

Arafat's military commander at Bourj Al Barajneh, Sultan Abu Al Ainan, said in a statement tween Abu Musa and Arafat for control of Beirut's refugee camps, which has killed at least 100 people and forced thousands to flee to safer areas of the Lebanese capital.

Abu Musa forces seeking to drive Arafat's men out of Beirut forced more than 100 to evacuate the nearby Shatila camp June 27.

pendent sources could not con-"We warn that Bour Al Barafirm the claim. jneh is not Shatila and we will The battles were the latest in a three-month-old struggle be-

# defeat all conspiracies," Ainan's **U.S.** envoy defends

KUWAIT (AP) - The U.S. ambassador to Kuwait, Wilson N. Howell, Sunday defended the proposed sale of 40 U.S.-made F-18 jets to this country in face of congressional opposition in Washington.

agencies his forces killed five Abu

Musa fighters in the assault. Inde-

"The Kuwaiti request is a logical and defensible one on all counts." said Howell in an interview with the Kuwait News Agency (KUNA) on the eve of the upcoming official visit to the United States by the crown prince and prime minister, Sheikh Saad Abdullah Al Sabah, July 10.

Underlining Kuwaiti and U.S. concern for the security and stability of the Gulf region in face of Iranian threats. Howell said the arms request "reflects Kuwait's judgment of the foreseeable threat and what it means for

F-18 sales to Kuwait "We have a request from a friendly nation that has demons-

trated defensive needs. The sale will therefore contribute to Kuwait's security and the stability of the region and therefore it has the strong support of the U.S. administration," he was quoted as saving.

Kuwait is also seeking to buy 300 air-to-ground Maverick missiles to be mounted on the air-

The Kuwaiti ambassador to the United States, Sheikh Saud Al Sabah, told the AP last week the sophisticated fighter-bombers his country is seeking under a \$1.9 billion deal would be "worthless" if Congress refuses to include the

The Palestinian sources, Monday accused Arafat of giving worse if this happened.

An Abu Musa spokesman

however, said they expected Abu personal orders to his fighters in Musa forces to try to push into Bouri Al Barajneh to start the Bourj Al Barajneh in the same fighting and said the PLO chairway. Residents said they feared man wanted to force the Abu the violence would become much Musa men out of the Beirut

# Israeli party proposes 'the Palestinian option'

Palestinians' right to self-determination and demands that the PLO, which it considers the Palestinians' representative, recognise Israel's right to a sovereign and secure existence as a condition for peace negotiations. This was stated at a press conference outlining the principles of the CRM's political platform, here

vesterday (Sunday). The CRM also believes that united Jerusalem is Israel's capital and that its permanent status must be anchored in a peace treaty with consideration for the religious and national needs of the peoples living in it, the platform adds. Jerusalem's status as Israel's capital is not open to negotiation, but the national needs and religious affinities of other residents must be negoti-

ated as part of the peace-treaty. "In contrast to the Jordanian option, the transfer option, teroptions bounced around in Israeli The Jerusalem Post.

TEL AVIV — The Citizens' policy, we present the Palestinian option," CRM leader Shulamit Aloni said.

"The large parties have been running away for more than 20 years from the Palestinian option. They run to Morocco, to Moscow, to Egypt...but the Palestinian option, which is the heart of the problem, isn't going anywhere, it stays here and becomes worse." she said.

Knesset Member Yossi Sarid said the battle against the intifada was hopeless because it was being conducted by force alone, without any political initiative. The collective punishments, such as curfews and deportations, only served to aggravate the uprising, turning many who were not part of it into its victims. Sarid added.

The settlements, which are a burden to security and increase conflict between the settlers and Arabs, would not determine Israel's borders, but would also ritorial compromise, and other not necessarily be uprooted -

# Bush treads the Middle East minefield

Following are excerpts from an interview that the Jerusalem Post had with U.S. Vice-President George Bush. It was published in the Post on July 1.

WASHINGTON — By almost all accounts, Vice President George Bush has the best resume in Washington. A highly decorated World War II fighter pilot and Yale University graduate who later successfully built up an oil business in Texas, Bush went on to become a U.S. congressman, ambassador to China and the United Nations, chairman of the Republican National Committee. director of the Central Intelligence Agency and, finally, vice president. And now, he wants to become president, with only Michael Dukakis standing in his way.

self defence," Crowe told repor-During an exclusive interview with the Jerusalem Post in his Democratic presidential hope-White House office the other ful Jesse Jackson said Monday on the Middle East in considerate its Middle East policy but that able detail. He addressed the the U.S. should maintain its prequestions with confidence and expertise as he walked through "We in fact must move more the diplomatically explosive lanquickly now to use our strength to guage of the Arab-Israeli conflict. get Iran and Iraq back to the negotiating table," Jackson said on CBS Television's "This Morn-

Bush began by acknowledging that the Palestinian uprising has damaged Israel's image in the United States. "In some areas it has hurt, to be very candid with you," he said, citing some reduced support for Israel in "broad public opinion."

But it has not "diminished the overall recognition that strong relations with Israel are in the national security interest of the United States." The governmentto-government relationship between the two countries remain solid, he said.

The uprising, he continued, has "hurt Israel from time to time when you have something that appears to the American people as an excessive use of force or less than sympathetic way of handling the problem. I don't want to mislead you; it causes problems."

. In response to a question, Bush described the political influence of the American Jewish community as "pretty strong." But he defended the right of American Jews and other supporters of Israel to get deeply involved in their lobbying efforts.

"I sometimes disagree with the positions," he said, referring to the lobbying efforts of the American Israel Public Affairs Committee (AIPAC). "I can't say I have 100 per cent agreement. But they're entitled to do their thing. That's part of our system, and that doesn't trouble me.'

He rejected the notion that a too-aggressive Jewish community could create a backlash against American Jews in the United sense that at all.'

If elected president, Bush said that he would understandably feel frustrated if various groups were to strongly oppose his policies. "If I were president, and if anybody — whether Jewish press-ure out of AIPAC or whether it was enormous pressure [from others] - went against what I wanted to do as president and what I pledged to do as president, I expect I would be frustrated. But that hasn't happened to me

yet. I am not president yet. Bush said he continues to strongly oppose any increased Soviet role in the Middle East. He also insisted that any international peace conference should serve only as a "catalytic move" to encourage Jordan to enter into direct negotiations with Israel.

"I do not want to see an ongoing, permanent, increased Soviet influence in the Middle East," he said. "I don't think that's what an international conference has to mean."

He said there may be different

views within the Reagan Administration on the proposed international conference and its ongoing role, including how long it should stay in effect. "But I am just telling you what George Bush feels," he said, staking out, for the first time, his own position on this sensitive question.

"It should be whatever is minimal, whatever is required to give King Hussein the credibility in this broad and highly complex world to go and do the direct negotiations. In the best of all worlds, that would be it...without further reference to multilateral action. That's my view."

When asked whether he had seen a change in Soviet policy in the Middle East that would justify increased diplomatic involvement in the region, he replied, "No, not particularly." Asked whether the Soviets

relations with Israel as a precondition to their participating in an international conference, the vice president replied cautiously: That's a matter for the parties. I Bush said that limiting the con-

ference to the five permanent members of the Security Council "makes pretty good sense. We have differences with some in Israel on this, but I think it's a very valid premise." The vice president said that

recent statements by the PLO, including the highly publicised statement by PLO spokesman Bassam Abu Sharif, have not yet met the long-standing U.S. conditions for recognition of the PLO. In addition to clearly accepting

U.N. Security Council resolu-tions 242 and 338 and Israel's right to exist, the PLO must also renounce terrorism and rewrite its National Convenant to delete any references to the destruction of Israel, he said. "We keep hearing that the

PLO has all but recognised

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Israel's right to exist. 'The PLO Dukakis on the matter of recoghas done this and the PLO has mising Jerusalem as Israel's capitdone that.' The PLO must have a al. "That should be negotiated." direct, definitive, clear statement the vice president said. "If I am regarding recognition of the saying that there should be a appropriate U.N. resolutions -242, particularly, and 338 - and renunciation of terror.

"And it always stops short of that," he continued. "I know that credibility of negotiations de-[PLO chairman Yasser] Arafat is pends on no preconditions." under pressure inside the PLO. And I think, to some degree, we can be sensitive to that.'

But Bush said that the fundamental U.S. approach to the PLO will not change until the PLO first changes its own poli-

The vice president expressed his continuing support for the 1978 Camp David Accords. "It's a framework from which something else good can happen," he said.

Bush flatly opposed the tion of a Palestinian state on the West Bank and Gaza Strip, suggesting that Dukakis has waffled on this issue.

He said he would support some sort of "confederation," as suggested in President Reagan's Sept. 1, 1982, peace initiative. "It's a good framework," he said, referring to that plan.

Bush sharply criticised suggestions by Dukakis that U.S. foreign policy should be more "multilateral" in its overall orientation. "You see, I've got a different it."

feeling, in terms of Michael Dukakis, on these international organisations — the utility of would "pick up right from, where them," he said. "I was there we are now and try to build on during his term as ambassador to the U.N.]. I know the strengths the table, try to encourage whatof the United Nations; I know the ever it takes to get them to do shortcomings of the United Na-

He said it was "somewhat naive" to believe that the U.N. is ally and strategic partner." "suddenly going to be much more effective in terms of peacekeeping."

Bush also disagreed with tion.

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negotiated settlement without preconditions, how can we set preconditions? Why should we set a precondition? I mean, the

But without going into detail, Bush went on to insist that the status of Jerusalem should not return to the "status quo ante '67.

He took a swipe at Dukakis's recent flurry of statements on the Middle East. Asked where else he disagreed with the Democratic candidate, Bush replied derisively: "I can't remember which ones he's revised.'

Bush said he had not heard any statements by Dukakis on the importance of the U.S. strategic tionship with cy that "I am strongly in support

He continued, "I think we do have some differences in the overall [U.S.] defence picture that are going to be crystal clear. I don't think we can withdraw. I don't think we can assign multilateral answers to problems where we have to either have a bilateral approach...or one where we serve as a catalyst between parties themselves - without having a multilateral answer to

He said that Middle East policies under his administration would "pick up right from, where that, try to get the Jordanians to that, provided that it didn't cross some fine line that would jeopardise the security of our friend,

He pledged to continue to strengthen U.S.-Israeli relations, including the strategic connec-

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#### ernment to condemn the attack. (Continued from page 1) U.S. naval investigators headed cooperation between both for the Gulf Monday to carry out

brotherly countries on issues of

the visit by Prime Minister Zaid Rifai, Royal Court Chief Marwan Al Qasem and Armed Forces Commander-in-Chief Field Mar-(President) Reagan and the shal Sharif Zaid Ibn Shaker.

The King's talks with President Hussein were attended on the Jordanian side by Rifai, Qasem and Sharif Zaid while Deputy Prime Minister Taha Yassin

The King was received upon arrival and seen off upon departure from Baghdad by the Iraqi president and senior Iraqi offi-

# The King was accompanied on

King pays brief visit to Iraq

to investigate the incident. Iranian leaders also branded Reagan a murderer and called for

mutual concern, Radio Jordan

Ramadan and other senior officials attended on the Iraqi side.

# **Moscow calls for American withdrawal**

Britain said it profoundly regretted the deaths of those aboard the plane but endorsed the U.S. explanation that its forces believed they were acting

in self defence. The British government profoundly regret the loss of life on the Iranian airliner and extend their deep sympathy to the bereaved. This has been a tragedy for all concerned," it said. But, the statement from Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher's office added: "We fully accept the right of forces engaged in such hostili-ties to defend themselves."

Italian Foreign Minister Giulio Andreotti cited recent U.N. calls for a ceasefire in the Gulf and said the incident underscored the

"the serious position of inferior-(Continued from page 1) ity in which the authority of the United Nations finds itself in that area.

Peter van Vliet, spokesman for the Dutch foreign ministry, said the shooting was "a very regrettable incident in a complicated situation."

In Paris, Ayatollah Mahdi Rouhani, spiritual head of the Shi'ite community in Europe and an opponent of Ayatollah Khomeini, demanded the resignation of the naval commander involved in the incident and the prosecution of the authors of

this horrible homicide." The Libyan official news agency JANA called the downing a

'disgraceful terrorist act." In Israel, Foreign Minister Shimon Peres told reporters:

"There is no doubt this is human error, a painful error. It happened to the Russians, it happened to the Americans, and it could happen to any country."

Poland expressed regret at the downing, saying it proved the need for a negotiated settlement in the Gulf.

A Pan Am spokesman in West Germany said the airline had cancelled its regular Monday flight from Frankfurt to Karachi as a precautionary measure. He declined to give further details. The U.S.-led NATO military

ters in Brussels, issued a terse statement regretting the loss of Syria said the shooting down of the plane was an ugly

alliance, which has its headquar-

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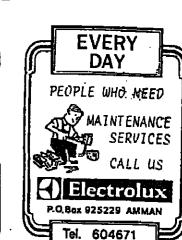
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# **CAEU** talks open today

By Salameh B. Ne'matt Jordan Times economics correspondent

AMMAN — Economy and finance ministers from 13 Arab countries meet here Tuesday to discuss recommendations by a special working group headed by Lebanese Acting Prime Minister Salim Al Hoss on ways to reactivate financially-crippled Arab League organisations.

isterial committee, which met in Amman in January, had called for a meeting of the Council of Arab Economic Unity (CAEU) at the prime ministerial level to discuss these recommendations.

Prince Hassan. Prime Minister member ministerial committee. Zaid Rifai and Arab League Secretary-General Chadli Klibi are expected to take part in threeday CAEU meeting at the Amman Plaza Hotel.

Official sources at the Ministry will be "one of the most critical sessions to be held by the council." They said that the Arab delegations will discuss the proposals for a solution to the finan- als to merge some of the Arab

An eight-member Arab min- cially-troubled Arab League organisations and will decide which of these will survive.

The Arab League secretariat has received reports from Arab states on their position vis-a-vis the recommendations made at a His Royal Highness Crown meeting in January of the eight-

The committee, which represents Jordan, Tunisia, Algeria, Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, Syria, Iraq and Lebanon had sent copies of a reassessment report of the functions of the Arab organisations to of Industry predicted the meeting respective governments for approval.

The Jordan Times has learned that the recommendations by the working group included proposLeague organisations with similar functions and the closure of some denartments.

Official sources said the expected changes aim at eliminating duplication of work and the improving of efficiency.

Over the last three years, the work of Arab League organisations, set up in the 1970s to enhance pan-Arab economic cooperation, has been irregular or frozen as several Arab states continued to default on their financial commitments to these organisations.

In an interview published in April, outgoing CAEU secretary general Mahdi Obeidi appealed to Arab countries to prevent political differences from affecting inter-Arab economic relations and to do all they can to enhance the council and its branches and affiliated companies.

"It is imperative that resolutions adopted by the Amman Arab summit of 1980, concerning economic activity between Arab states, should be implemented if economic integration among Arab countries is to be

# Saudi banks look to secure wider market for state bonds

BAHRAIN (R) - Saudi Arabia's commercial banks are testing uncharted territory in a bid to develop a wider market for the government's ground-breaking bonds scheme.

Three weeks after a first 1.5billion-rival (\$400 million) offering, banks have won the go-ahead from Saudi authorities to resell bonds to government and quasigovernment bodies and are working on repackaging for private investors.

"Now the dust has settled, banks are scrambling to find ways to use the bonds." said one senior trader. "The more ways they find, the more successful and more attractive they will be-

The bonds scheme was launched on June 11 as part of the Saudi government's drive to bridge a persistent budget deficit without placing further strain on dwindling foreign reserves.

It was the first major government borrowing in Saudi Arabia for 25 years and had been eagerly awaited by the kingdom's cashrich banks. But neither the first nor second offering two weeks later was fully subscribed, partly because of uncertainty surrounding the creation of a secondary market.

The past days have, however, seen the Saudi Arabian Monetary Agency (SAMA), the de facto central bank, adopt a flexible attitude which seems to bode well for a secondary market.

Bankers are concerned that without a fully-fledged market Saudi bonds will lie idle on their

LONDON (R) — Britain raised

interest rates Monday for the fifth

time since early June in a re-

newed effort to brake a credit-

fuelled consumer spending spree

which the government fears will

The Bank of England (central

bank) raised its money market

lending rate half a percentage

This is the rate at which it lends

money to commercial banks and

the move was intended to force

most British interest rates up

the Midland banks, second and

third biggest in Britain, led the

commercial banks in raising base

lending rates by half a point to 10

Economists had expected the rise since last week, when the

bank raised its rate to 9.5 per cent

after Britain reported a record

£1.21 billion (\$2.04 billion) cur-

rent account balance of payments

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rekindle inflation.

point to 10 per cent.

per cent.

Although the effective yield has been pitched above U.S. treasury paper, bank treasury and sales departments have been exploring new markets to generate

revenue. Three possibilities are apparently acceptable to SAMA: Reselling bonds to government or quasi-government bodies and companies, particularly pen-

- Repackaging bonds through mutual funds or unit trusts to allow private Saudi investors to participate indirectly.

Selling to other banks, but only within Saudi Arabia. There is as yet no definitive list of institutions to which banks can sell the bonds, But one banker said: "SAMA will indicate whether it has any objections or

So far, bankers believe they can place bonds with several addresses, including the General Organisation for Social Insurance (GOSI), a government health and insurance fund, the petrochemicals conglomerate Saudi Basic Industries Corp (SABIC) and Arabian American Oil Co's (ARAMCO) pension fund.

Repackaging bonds in the shape of funds should prove already offer private investors schemes based on European and U.S. money markets.

Banks are believed to have! taken up only around 950 million rivals (\$250 million) of the first bond offering and perhaps even less of the second, suggesting to bankers the appetite for paper in a secondary market will be li-

That deficit, which measures

trade and international payments

for such services as banking, ship-

ping and tourism, is a key signal

of inflationary pressure, econom-

The British government has

worried that a big deficit means

Britons are spending too much on

imports and that that buying

But the wool-clip for the 70.

second biggest producer, the

Soviet Union, is down -

But with fortnightly issues now

anticipated - the next is due on July 9 — bankers expect a deeper market could develop, although it is still unclear how trading will be The bonds are structured along

Islamic lines, paying twice a year a fixed sum or "cash flow" linked to unspecified government development projects. But bankers can calculate a Western-style yield and say the bonds are geared to U.S. treasury notes.

Bankers said the first two Saudi offerings have yielded a margin above like-dated U.S. notes ranging from about 20 basis points for the one-year maturity to about 50 for the longest offered five-year

However, in a nation where interest is banned as a form of usury, Saudi authorities have set great store by tailoring the bonds not to offend Islamic principles and bankers say that could dictate the way they are traded in a secondary market. There are two alternatives:

Either to go the Western route and trade bonds on a yield basis. or adopt an Islamic financing method by taking a leaf out of SAMA's book.

To adhere to SAMA's formulation, banks could offer their endbuyer a semi-annual payment slightly more or less than the original amount according to inierest rate trends.

"It amounts to interest as well, just in another guise," said one banker. "But it would keep to the

spree will send inflation soaring.

day it felt a further tightening of

credit was appropriate after in-

terest rates elsewhere rose last

West Germany's central bank,

the Bundesbank, raised its key

discount rate to three per cent

Good grazing in Australia,

record 925,000 tonnes set in 1969/

Chinese production jumped 14 per cent to 208,000 tonnes be-

from 2.5 per cent last week.

World wool output to hit record

LONDON (R) - World wool although there were an extra 1.4

production will probably rise 2.1 million sheep there to be sheared per cent this year to a record 3.12 this year, weather conditions did

wealth Secretariat said Monday.

The secretariat said the rise

Good grazing in Australia, along with an increase in sheep-

was mostly due to increases in farming, should boost this year's

Australia and China. Australia is wool clip by 3.3 per cent to the world's biggest producer while China ranks fourth. wool clip by 3.3 per cent to 917,000 tonnes — just below the record 925,000 tonnes set in 1969/

million tonnes, the Common- not favour heavy fleeces.

The British Treasury said Mon-

spirit of the bonds." U.K. raises interest rates to 10%

doubled to JD 56.4 million.

One interesting feature of Jordan's foreign trade is the recent ramme for Economic & Social

cause of the government's cam-

paign to boost productivity.
In New Zealand, the number-

three producer, the clip should

rise to 355,000 tonnes from

350,000 last year, boosted by

above-average fleece weights and a larger number of lambs.

South American output was

also higher, due largely to gains

in Argentina and Brazil, the

Commonwealth Secretariat said.

Talented, skilled workforce keeps up Jordan's progress

Jordanian industrial and farm

products. Arab states have in the

past three years accounted for

Iraq, which has been Jordan's

biggest customer worldwide since

the early 1980s, took just under a

third of all Jordanian exports in

1985 and slightly over a fifth in

1986. Other big Arab customers

include Saudi Arabia (Jordan's

third largest market worldwide in both 1985 and 1986), Kuwait and

Exports to Egypt are rising fast. They reached JD 11 million

in the first 10 months of 1987,

nearly four times the figure for

phate and potash, jumped from only JD 13.8 million in 1983 to JD

45 million in 1985 and JD 34

Iraq in 1986 replaced Saudi Arabia as Jordan's biggest sup-

plier (mainly of oil) and was followed by the U.S., Britain,

Japan, West Germany and Italy.

Aqaba, whose container capacity

has been expanded considerably,

handled just over 20 million ton-

nes of imports, exports (including

The volume of incoming goods

imported for transit (mainly to

Iraq) in 1987 totalled just under

six million tonnes, about a third

more than in the previous year.

Exports through the port in 1987

also rose sharply, but just over 16 per cent. They included 5.5 mil-

lion tonnes of phosphate, 1.2 million tonnes of potash and 575,000 tonnes of chemical ferti-

lizers. Imported cargo for local

use totalled 2.8 million tonnes,

about 4.4 per cent more than in

Five-year plan

planning began in 1976, when a JD 767 million five-year plan was

launched. A third and much more

ambitious plan (1986-90) whose

expenditure totals JD 3.1.5.5

million was announced at an in-

ternational conference in Amman

year in real terms; to create 97,000 jobs to meet the expected

rise in labour supply caused by

the natural increase in population

(which has recently been growing

at the high annual rate of 3.7 per

cent) and the anticipated return

of large numbers of Jordanians working in Arab Gulf states; to

boost local savings by reducing the ratio of consumption to GNP;

to increase domestic revenues

through the introduction of stric-

ter measures to "rationalise" cur-

rent public spending and other

ports and curbing the growth of

imports; to encourage the setting

up of joint ventures with other

Arab states (several such ven-

tures have recently been estab-

in late 1986.

Comprehensive development

re-exports) and transit cargo.

In 1987, Jordan's only port,

Sales to India, mainly phos-

the whole of 1986.

million in 1986.

about half Jordan's exports.

This is the first of six articles on Jordan's economic development published by the Arab British Commerce in its latest issue.

DESPITE its limited natural re- emergence of other Arab counsources, Jordan has in the past 15 years achieved remarkable economic and social progress.

Thanks to skilful planning, the efficient use of the country's welltrained workforce and the channelling of substantial remittances and aid funds into profitable investsments in industry, farming and public services, Jordan's economy grew by more than 10 per cent a year between 1976 and 1982, a rate which ranked among the highest in the woorld during

that period.

Although growth rates, measured by trends in gross national product (GNP) at market prices, have since slowed down considerably, to almost five per cent in 1985 and only 3.7 per cent in 1986, they nevertheless remain relatively good compared with those of many other developing countries.

Jordan is blessed with one of the most important elements of economic progress: A talented and skilled people. It has one of the highest literacy rates among Third World countries and its industrial and managerial workforce not only meet local requirements but also contribute to progress in other Arab countries, particularly the Gulf states.

Jordanians working in Arab Gulf states, whose number is estimated at 325,000 in late 1987, send home more than JD 400million a year (\$1,180 million). Topping the list of Jordan's toreign exchange earners, remittances have for many years accounted for just over a fifth of the country's GNP.

Aid received from Saudi Arabia and other Arab Gulf states as well as from other countries and regional and international agencies, especially the World Bank, is the country's second-biggest foreign exchange source and finances many of its main development schemes

Net aid disbursements to Jordan totalled \$686 million in 1984. but declined to \$537 million in 1986. Arab donors, which provide most of the country's aid receipts, are expected to increase their disbursements to Jordan to about \$590 million in 1988.

Exports, mainly phosphate rock, potash and chemical fertilizers, together with re-exports and income earned from tourism and other invisibles, represent the third largest foreign exchange

Exports of locally produced goods peaked at JD 261 million in 1984. In 1986, they fell by 13 per cent to JD 226 million but the figure for the first 10 months of 1987 was about four per cent up on that for the equivalent period Re-exports stood at a record

JD 79 million in 1982, but have fiscal policies; to reduce the fore-ign trade deficit in both visible since dropped considerably, reaching only about JD 30 million and invisibles by promoting exin 1986. In the first 10 months of 1987, however, they more than Jordan has traditionally suffered from large trade deficits.

The recent steady decline in imports, which fell from JD 1,074 million in 1985 to JD 850 million in 1986, reduced the deficit from gional growth among the country's eight East Bank governorespectively.

A parallel plan, entitled Prog-

rates.

Development in the Occupied Territories aims to arrest the deteriorating conditions in the West Bank and Gaza Strip (occupied by Israel since June 1967) by tries as an important market for investing JD 362.5 million in development schemes (particularly those of housing, education and farming) in both regions.

Private investors have traditionally contributed greatly to Jordan's development. It is therefore not surprising that the 1986-90 plan envisages that nearly half of its entire spending will come from the private sector. Public sector expenditure is being channelled mainly into infrastructure schemes such as drinking water and irrigation networks, communications, transport, industry and mining, agriculture and

energy. Several Arab and other aid funds and governments are providing grants and soft loans towards projects carried out under both the East Bank plan and the occupied territories' programme.

1988 budget

Approved in December 1987, Jordan's budget for 1988 projects expenditure of JD 1,075.4 million (up by 6.6 per cent from the previous year), of which JD 330.6 million (just under a third of the total) will be spent on development. Revenues are put at JD 1,008.5 million (about a quarter more than in 1987), thus leaving a deficit of only JD 66.9 million, compared with JD 220 million in the previous year and JD 246.2 million in 1986.

Domestic revenues are expected to rise from JD 550 million in 1987 to JD 611 million in 1988, while aid receipts are projected to jump from JD 134 million to JD 225 million. Grants to be received in 1988 from Arab aid funds and government are put at JD 200 million, showing a 56 per cent increase on the previous year, when they stood at JD 128 mil-

The remainder, JD 25 million is expected to come from the U.S. Local and foreign commercial borrowing is projected to bring JD 146 million, about twofifths more than in 1987.

The World Bank, which in the fiscal year ending on June 30, 1987 provided three loans totalling \$108.4 - million, has since approved two others for Jordan. Its seven main aims are: To The first, agreed in December increase GNP by five per cent a 1987, is a \$40 million credit to finance a teacher training scheme, building 58 schools and a pilot vocational programme for young women in areas where demand for skilled labour is

Approved in January 1988, the second loan, of \$31 million, is for developing the Shidiya phosphate mine, about 120 kilometres north of Aqaba port.

Jordan, one of the world's largest phosphate exporters, has increased its output from just under four million tonnes of phosphate rock in 1981 to about 6.6 million tonnes in 1987.

In 1982 it began processing some of its phosphate output into fertilizers, whose production in 1987 stood at 604,000 tonnes, more than five times the amount produced in 1982.

lished with Egypt and Iraq) and Potash extraction from the to achieve a more balanced re-Dead Sea, which also started in 1982, jumped from only 15,000 tonnes in that year to 1.2 million tonnes in 1987, thus putting Jordan among the world's biggest potash producers.

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#### **LONDON EXCHANGE RATES**

LONDON (R) — Following are the buying and selling rates for leading world currencies and gold against the dollar at midday on the London foreign exchange and bullion markets Monday.

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#### **WORLD STOCK MARKETS**

SYDNEY — The market closed barely steady in lacklustre trade with little overseas interest due to the closure of U.S. markets. The All Ordinaries Index closed up 0.5 at 1,559.6.

TOKYO - Share prices closed mixed due to continued worry about when the dollar would stop rising against the yen. A short afternoon burst of extra strength in the dollar fuelled fears. The Nikkei shed 2.13 to 27,360.39.

HONG KONG - Stocks were little changed and trading was quiet with Wall Street closed for Independence Day. The Hang Seng Index rose 2.98 to 2,687.62. SINGAPORE - Prices continued drifting in the afternoon and

closed moderately lower across the board on profit-taking after six weeks of gains. The Straits Times Industrial Index fell 10.94 to

BOMBAY - Share prices fell on a broad front on fears the government would be slow to provide further measures to boost

FRANKFURT — Prices closed mixed, with a firmer bias but well below the session's highs. The Commerzbank Index, calculated at mid-session, rose 15.8 to its second consecutive year high of

ZURICH — Prices closed steady to higher in very quiet trading. Friday's lower close on Wall Street offset the positive influence of a slightly firmer dollar. The Swiss Index was up 2.2 at 876.5.

PARIS — Prices ended slightly firmer but off their highs in a quiet session highlighted by active trading in selected shares.

LONDON - Equity prices were dull in late business, having showed little reaction to news of a much anticipated ½ point rise in U.K. bank base rates to 10 per cent. At 1515 GMT, the FTSE 100 share index was down 10.8 at 1,847.4.

NEW YORK — Market closed for Independence Day holiday.

# JEA finalises study of Mauritanian project

AMMAN (J.T.) — The Jordan Electricity Authority (JEA) has nearly completed a feasibility study on the electrification of 13 towns in Mauritania, a project which will be financed by a loan from the Kuwait-based Arab Fund for Economic and Social Development, according to a report in Sawt Al Shaab Arabic newspaper.

The paper said that the feasibility study has been carried out in cooperation with a Luxembourg-based consultancy firm and will be handed over in its final version to the Mauritanian government for endorsement.

According to the report, the first phase of the project is expected to cost \$30 million.

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#### SPORTS IN BRIEF

# Olympic baseball competitors named

SEOUL, South Korea (AP) - South Korea, Taiwan, the United States and Japan are the top seeds in the Olympic competition in baseball, a demonstration sport in this year's Summer Games, the organisers announced Monday. In the preliminary round Sept. 19 to 24, South Korea, the United States, Canada and Australia are in one group, and Taiwan, Japan, Puerto Rico and The Netherlands in the other, the Seoul Olympic Organising Committee said. The top two teams in each group advance to the semifinals on Sept. 26. The final is scheduled Sept. 28. The Seoul Olympics are scheduled from Sept. 17 to Oct. 2. Cuba, the 1987 Pan American games baseball champion, is among six countries not entering the Olympics in Seoul.

#### Strolz to sky at Bicentennial Cup

SYDNEY, Australia (AP) — Calgary Winter Olympic Games gold medallist Hubert Strolz of Austria heads the entry list for the Bicentennial Cup Ski series at Thredbo next month, organisers announced Monday. Strolz, winner of the combined alpine skiing gold medal in Calgary, will lead a strong Austrian team in the event, which is scheduled for August 27-28 and will feature Giant Slalom and Super Giant Slalom races. Bernard Gstrein, combined silver medallist in Calgary, and Helmut Mayer, Super Giant Slalom silver medallist, also are included in the Austrian squad. Norwegian slalom expert Finn Christian Jagge and leading Americans Felix McGrath, Tiger Shaw, Tommy Moe and Jeremy Nobis also have confirmed their entries for the event, along with world-ranked Australian Steven Lee. Skiers from Canada, Japan and France also have been invited to compete, but have not yet confirmed their attendance.

#### Over 1,700 arrested in anti-crime campaign

SEOUL, South Korea (AP) - Police said Monday they had arrested 1,784 people in the first-week of a scheduled 70-day anti-crime campaign for the Olympic Games in Seoul. Police officials said 7,477 burglars, thieves, hooligans and other law offenders were picked up during the one-week period that began June 27. Of those detained, 1,784 were put under formal arrest for prosecution, 553 were referred to summary courts for up to 30 days of detention and 5,140 were released with promises to face police questioning later, they said. Those picked up were mostly minor offenders and included a few serious criminals, they said. Anti-crime checks are routine in South Korea, and the current crackdown is particularly aimed at ensuring a safe Olympics in Seoul, scheduled to begin in Sept. 17, police said.

#### Tardozzi takes superbike lead

ZELTWEG, Austria (R) — Italy's Davide Tardozzi cemented his lead in the World Superbike Championship despite colliding with another rider during Sunday's fourth round. Tardozzi took the. second heat on his Bimota, two seconds ahead of Honda-riding Frenchman Cristophe Boloheen. But the first race for the 750 cc and one litre bikes almost ended in disaster for the 29-year-old Tardozzi when he collided with the Honda of American Fred

#### **Cuban boxing legend formally retires**

HAVANA (R) - Cuban boxer Teofilo Stevenson, who won the Olympic heavyweight title three times and rejected a million dollars to turn professional, has formally hung up his gloves at the age of 36. People in his home town of Last Tunas in eastern Cuba lined the streets Sunday to give Stevenson a hero's farewell after he announced during an international boxing contest that he was quitting the ring.



#### **Baseball Standings**

NEW YORK (AP) --- Mejor league base standings after Sunday games:

East Division

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42	38	.525	7
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#### West Division

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Oakland	51	29	.638	_
Minnesota	44	34	.564	6
Kansas City	43	37	.538	8
Texas	38	41	.481	127
Chicago	36	43	.456	147
California			.438	
Seattle	32	49	.395	197

#### National League East Division

1				
New York	52	29	.642	_
Pittsburgh	44	36	.550	77
Chicago	43	36	.544	8
Montreal	39	41	.488	121
St. Louis	38	42	.475	131
St. Louis Philadelphia	35	43	.449	151

#### West Division

Los Angeles	45	33	.577	_
San Francisco	41	38	.519	41/2
Houston	41	40	.506	51/2
Cincinnati	37	43	.463	9
San Diego	36	46	.439	11
Atlanta	27	51	.346	18

### W. Germans hail Graf as 'new queen of tennis'

BONN, West Germany (AP) -West German sports writers Sunday hailed countrywoman Steffi Graf as the "new queen of tennis" after she stopped Martina Navratilova's Wimbledon win-

ning streak.
"The match was like something in a dream. Steffi is the new queen of tennis," the mass-publication Bild Am Sonntag newspaper said in a front-page headline of Graf's victory Saturday. Another Sunday newspaper, Welt Am Sonntag, echoed the same kind of enthusiasm.

"Once upon a time, it was Martina Navratilova — but now Steffi Graf is the queen of tennis," Welt Am Sonntag said.

West German tennis writers were also predicting that countryman Boris Becker would defeat Stefan Edberg at the Wimbledon men's championship.

"In Wimbledon this weekend, German tennis stands before its ereatest triumph said a frontpage article in the Welt Am Sonntag, reflecting the writer's confidence that Becker would also win.

"Boris Becker knows, like few other tennis players, how to transform a defensive volley into a counter-attack," wrote Welt Am Sonntag's tennis correspondent, Guenther Bosch.

Becker has won the Wimbledon title twice before -- in 1985 and 1986.

Bosch also said he was confident that Graf would succeed in achieving West Germany's first tennis tournament "Grand Slam" by winning the U.S. Open.



Tour de France participants fight to climb the hills (Sygma photo)

# Bauer wins 1st stage of Tour de France

MACHECOUL, France (R) — Steve Bauer of Canada won the first stage of the Tour de France cycle race Monday - a section interrupted for 15 minutes by striking shipyard workers.

Bauer broke away from the pack 13 kilometres from the end of the 91.5-kilometre stage from Pontchatean to Machecoul in western France. He finished eight seconds ahead of Belgian Eric Vanderaerden, who won the mas-sed sprint finish behind the Canadian. Eddy Planckaert of Belgium was third.

"The race was not going very fast and I realised there was more tailwind than headwind so I decided to have a go," Bauer said. Believe me, I'm going to hit the champagne tonight."

Bauer's victory came after the ace was restarted at the 35kilometre point following the strikers' protest. About 100 of them had blocked the route at Saint-Nazaire to stop the riders

Though the riders did manage to weave their way through the picket line, the accompanying official cars could not and organisers decided the race would have to be restarted.

There was some confusion whether Bauer would wear the race leader's yellow jersey for the second stage — a 48-kilometre team time trial from La Haye-Fouassiere to Ancenis later Monday.

Time bonuses were awarded for five sprints during the course of the stage and organisers said two other riders — Soeren Lilholt of Denmark and Nico Verhoeven of The Netherlands — had emerged with the same final time as the Canadian.

Lilhot and Verhoeven, along with Roger Ilegems of Belgium and Teun van Vliet of The Netherlands, at one time established a lead of one minute 16 seconds over the pack before being caught 20 kilometres from Machecoul.

# Prost ready to set record

Alain Prost, who won his 32nd Grand Prix in thrilling style in front of his own French fans at the Paul Ricard circuit Sunday, is now set to fulfil Jackie Stewart's prediction and become the first Formula One driver to win 40 Grands Prix.

Stewart, the Briton whose record 27 wins was surpassed by Prost at last year's Portuguese Grand Prix, said then that Prost was capable of going on to break the 40 mark.

His remark raised many eyebrows at the time but Prost's masterly drive and victory over his McLaren teammate Brazilian Ayrton Senna Sunday confirmed

driver of his generation with the potential for many more wins.

To the adulation of his home supporters, Prost confirmed he was intent on winning as many of the remaining nine races this year as possible to clinch his third world title. "From now on we are back on the fast circuits in Europe and I am happy about that," said Prost. "I am looking forward to Sil-

verstone for example, which is a very fast circuit and I am sure the spectators there will see another exciting race between Ayrton and

end of the Festival.

# U.S. to host 1994 World Cup finals

ZURICH, Switzerland (R) — The United States Monday won the right to host the 1994 World Cup finals, taking the tournament away from the traditional soccer centres of Europe and South America for the first time.

(FIFA) voted to accept the U.S. bid over two other candidates, Morocco and Brazil.

The United States won 10 votes, Morocco seven and Brazil two, FIFA's senior vice president ever made by an African nation Harry Cavan announced.

Cavan, of Northern Ireland, chaired the committee meeting. FIFA's Brazilian president Joao Havelange had earlier made clear he would neither vote nor chair

the meeting.

Since its inauguration in 1930, the four-yearly World Cup has always been held in either Europe, South or Central America. The 1986 cup took place in Mexico and the 1990 finals will be held in Italy.

A second Brazilian on the 21strong executive committee, Abilio D'Almeida, also did not vote, officials said. Neither the United States nor Morocco is represented on the decision-making

body.

The vote in favour of the U.S. bid had been widely expected. All sides acknowledged the Americans had a strong case in terms of the massive infrastructure and economic strength needed to stage a 24-nation, month-long tournament involving anything up to 18 stadiums or

announced the president of the Brazilian Soccer Federation, Octavio Pinto Guimaraes, said

Even before the decision was

lian government has not given us profits.

The executive committee of the ... the necessary financial support, so we have no chance," he said. Driss Bamous, president of the

Moroccan Soccer Federation, said the vote had its positive aspects for his and other countries. Morocco's was the first bid to stage the World Cup.

"You are always disappointed when you don't win, but I was among the first to congratulate the Americans," he said.

"But we have opened the door for all of Asia and Africa," Bamous added. "It is an encouragement for the third world.

U.S. Soccer Federation president Werner Fricker said he was pleased 15 months of hard work. lobbying and preparing the bid had paid off. "It is a tremendous

feeling of relief that it is all over, Fricker said. He rejected suggestions that FIFA's decision was made on business rather than sporting grounds and countered criticisms that the United States did not have the expertise in soccer

necessary to host a World Cup finals series. "We do not rule out the possibility that we call co-opt people with experience in world soccer

for our World Cup," Yugoslavborn Fricker said. But the commercial advantages of having the tournament in the United States were clear to FIFA's marketing agents ISL, who negotiate multi-million dol-

the die was cast.

"We no longer have any interest in the outcome. The Brazi-

ISL president Klaus Hempel said, "the missing link (in the commercial exploitation of soccer) was the U.S."

The American presentation to FIFA put forward 18 stadiums as possible World Cup sites, including the Pasadena Rose Bowl where the first 100,000 crowds ever in the United States for soccer were recorded during the 1984 Los Angeles Olympics.

The success of the Olympic tournament, where soccer was the best attended spectator sport of the whole games, played a large role in persuading FIFA pionship such as the World Cup.

# Aouita makes Grand Prix debut

STOCKHOLM (R) - Said Aouita, the gifted enigma of the international athletics circuit, makes his first appearance of the 1988 Grand Prix season Tuesday when he runs over 1,500 metres at the Stockholm Grand Prix.

and world champion over 5,000 metres and world record holder in the 5,000 and 1,500.

of mystery as the slight Moroccan. Aouita was scheduled to run in the Helsinki Grand Prix last

Thursday but withdrew, citing dissatisfaction with his form.

He did not appear in Oslo's Bislett Games Saturday either and organiser here were delighted to learn that he wanted to

run in the 5,000 metres.

Aouita's decision set up the mouth-watering prospect of a clash with top Italian distance runners Alberto Cova, Stefano Mei and Francesco Panetta.

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However, on Monday the organisers announced that Aouita had

switched to the 1,500. No reason was given and it quickly became clear that the Moroccan would not be available to shed any light on the switch. The talented Aouita is Olympic

The organisers had originally hoped Aouita would be present at a news conference scheduled for Monday afternoon, but they then learned that he did not plan bimself with quite the same aura

to arrive until Monday night.

Whatever event Aouita evenabsolutely certain until he actualcertain to give full value for the

price of an admission ticket. At times over the past three

years, it has seemed that every time Aouita runs he has attempted a world record at a variety of distances no other runner could begin to encompass. He appears to have little

opposition Tuesday apart from seasoned American Sydney Maree, who along with Aouita and Britons Steve Cram and Sebastian Coe is one of only four men to have broken three mitually runs, and no-one can be nutes 30 seconds for the 1,500.

Even in Aouita's absence, the ly arrives in Stockholm, he is men's 5,000 looks the event of the

#### INVITATION TO TENDER Tender Number: JCO/EIB/APP/88.05 Jordan: Supply of Equipment for Sheep Fattening/Service

Centres

Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan Jordan Co-operative Organisation (JCO) Supply of Housing and Equipment for Animal Production

The Jordan Co-operative Organisation (JCO) is publishing an invitation to tender for the supply and erection of prefabricated buildings, equipment and supplies for three sheep fattening and service centres in the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan This announcement forms part of a project, and comprises of a total of three centres due to be implemented before July 1989 at Kerak, Tafila and Azrag.

The following lots will be required for each site:

Lot 1: Prefabricated buildings to include 2 sheep sheds 108 x 12 m, office/storeroom unit and a handling system (dip, race,

Lot 2: Range of sheep handling equipment. Lot 3: Feed store and feed handling equipment to include 2 x

250 ton silos.

Lot 4: Range unit equipment. Lot 5: Range of office equipment and tools.

Lot 6: 4 mobile sheep handling systems. Lot 7: 40 feed troughs and 40 water troughs

Lot 8: 1 flat deck truck, single cab, 2 wheel drive, long wheel base, four cylinder diesel engine. Lot 9: Veterinary products. Lot 10: Medicated feedstuffs.

Participation is open to all individual and business entities from at least the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan and member countries of the EEC.

Tender documents with Instructions to bidders and detailed technical specifications can be obtained

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Presentation All bids must be submitted in English by 10.00 hours local time on the morning of the 14 of September 1988, to the Office of the Director General of the Jordan Co-operative

Opening of bids will be as a public opening session at the Offices of the JCO in Amman at 10.00 a.m. local time on the same day as final submission of tenders. All tenders must be on an open tender basis and shall be valid for 90 days from the final day of submission.

Criteria for selection: in addition to purchase price, criteria such as technical quality, delivery dates and service back-up will be taken into account.

NOTE:

Supplies submitted to this bidding procedure are part of an investment project financed with assistance of the European Investment Bank.

#### **Peanuts ANNOUNCEMENT**







# Mutt'n' Jeff









# **Andy Capp**





# **ASEAN** sees Kampuchea settlement within reach

BANGKOK (Agencies) - South-East Asia's regional grouping Association of South East Asian Nations (ASEAN) said Monday a Kampuchean settlement is within grasp, and sees proposed Indonesian-sponsored peace talks to end the nine-year conflict as a test of Vietnamese intentions.

The ministers from the sixmember ASEAN urged the United Nations to convene an international conference to discuss joint action to halt the exodus of "boat people" from Indochina.

At the opening session of ASEAN's 21st annual meeting, ministers called for greater access for their exports in the industrialised countries and said trade within the region of 300 million people should also be boosted. Opening the conference, Thai Prime Minister Prem Tinsulanon-

settlement, involving superpower guarantees and taking care of the security interests of all major parties concerned, was within

able solution to the Kampuchean problem is in sight. Common ground now appears to exist among all concerned nations..." he told the foreign ministers of Brunei, Indonesia, Malaysia, the Philippines. Singapore and Thai-

# **Discovery begins** trip to launch pad

CAPE CANAVERAL, Florida five assigned crew members, with (AP) — Discovery moved into the glare of spotlights early Monnames of 15.240 engineers, technames day on its long-awaited trip to the nicians, managers, secretaries, launch pad and a giant step clerical workers and other centre toward America's first space employees who have laboured to shuttle flight since the Challenger

A flag-waving independence day crowd of several hundred space workers cheered as the 85-ton spaceship edged out of an assembly building at 12:50 a.m. (0450 GMT), riding upright on the broad back of a giant tracked transporter called a crawler.

The 6.8-kilometre journey to launch pad 39B was scheduled to take six to seven hours. Attached to Discovery were a 47-metrehigh external fuel tank and the two 47-metre solid fuel booster rockets that will hurl the craft into space on a flight scheduled for early September.

As the rollout began, Kennedy Space Centre Director Forrest S. McCartney presented astronaut Dave Hilmers, one of Discovery's da said a Kampuchean peace

"I am optimistic that an equit-

return the shuttle fleet to flight. The astronauts will carry the book into orbit with them. McCartney, Hilmers and other NASA officials watched the roll-

out from a flag-bedecked gran-

stand outside the assembly The early morning move was planned to avoid thunderstorms and lighting which are common

during the day this time of the Centre officials originally said

all five of Discovery's astronauts and NASA administrator James C. Fletcher would be present for the rollout. But four of the crew members elected to spend the holiday weekend with their families in Houston, and Fletcher's office said Friday he couldn't

FORECAST FOR TUESDAY, JULY 5, 1988

# YOUR HOROSCOPE

GENERAL TENDENCIES: Make sure that a colleague knows avenew ventures until tomorrow. oday, mull over new ideas and Pay close attention to public Save new ventures until tomorrow. Today, muli over new ideas and seek advice about them. Make sure Focus on your own health and well-

being.
ARIES (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19) Get small marketing tasks out of the way in the morning so that after lunch you can take advantage of ersonal opportunities. TAURUS (Apr. 20 to May 20) Be

persistent in attempting to solve a oblem with a romantic tie. Employ the capable hands and ad-

vice of friends.
GEMINI (May 21 to June 21) Be careful in handling an outside affair this morning. Work on soothing a nervous friend. Cooperate with both your co-workers and the boss. MOON CHILDREN (June 22 to Jul. 21) A decision that you have been avoiding finally demands at-

tention. Keep your career in mind while addressing it. LEO (Jul. 22 to Aug. 21) Get mundane matters out of the way early in order to make room for a more interesting project. Be tactful toward the advances of a new

VIRGO (Aug. 22 to Sept. 22)

LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) Make sure that those who have been loval know that you appreciate it. Finish all work that you have started. Focus on obligation today. SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) Make your entertainment appointments early, then follow through on regular duties. Listen carefully to

the ideas of a fellow worker SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) Show your devotion to kin today by working extra hard at home and by working stra natus to me and taking your mate out somewhere special this evening. CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 20) Handle as many messages as pos-

sible this morning, so you can give some much needed attention to home affairs later on. Be happy. AQUARIUS Jan. 21 to Feb. 19) Morning provides the best oppor-tunity to settle business, and to col-

lect. Visit a new sequaintance this evening, but square business first. PISCES (Feb. 20 to Mar. 20) Stop procrastinating on fulfillment of promises. You will need a larger income in the future. Try to look into

talks in Indonesia at the end of the month between the warring Kampuchean factions and Vietnam would test Hanoi's intentions as to whether it genuinely wanted a political settlement. He said that despite Vietnam's announced intention to withdraw 50,000 of its estimated 120,000 troops from neighbouring Kam-

Supiah Dhanabalan said planned

puchea by the end of the year, Hanoi's true plans remained un-'The meeting in Jakarta will be a litmus test of Vietnam's true

motives and sincerity." "We should know whether Hanoi wants to seriously address the question of a negotiated political compromise, or whether it is part of its bag of tricks to distract and occupy world attention while the Vietnamese continue to pursue the objective of absorbing Kampuchea," Dhanabalan said.

Vietnam must recognise that it cannot purchase its security at the expense of Kampuchea's sovereignty," he declared. ceede Viemam invaded Kampuchea said.

# Mexico ruling party ready for elections

governing institutional Revolu-tionary Party, absolute master of Mexico for nearly 60 years, faces a tough test Wednesday in which t has a chance to win more by

At stake is the party's credibil-ity — what is left of it — and the country's future.

Few doubt the powerful party. known simply as the PRI, will win. The question is whether, like the spoiled only child of the past, it will grab everything or settle for enough votes to win credibly. The PRI has defied political

logic by never losing a presidential election or gubernatorial race in any of Mexico's 31 states since its inception in 1929, even in the midst of economic crisis. But it' also has been known to stuff ballot boxes to give itself almost incredible victories with anywhere from 74 to 95 per cent of

This time, party officials pri-

MEXICO CITY (AP) - The vately admit that they would be satisfied with 50 per cent of the

The PRI, which has created a symbiotic relationship with the government, is under pressure to change the system that kept Mexico peaceful and growing, but people passive under a paternalistic system.

But an economic crisis brought on at least in part by inept public administration, beavy borrowing and brazen display of public corruption of the late 1970s and early 1980s, angered many Mexicans and fueled public dissatisfaction with the sytem.

President Miguel de la Madrid has spent his six years in office trying to control inflation, renegotiate a foreign debt exceeding \$100 billion, and still satisfy the demands of labour and a middle class whose aspirations and way of life died as the peso devalued from 23 to the dollar in 1980 to 2,300 this week.

# **GOREN BRIDGE**

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AN EXTRA CHANCE

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The 13th annual bridge match be-

ween Britain's two Chambers of

Parliament was won by the House

of Lords, who thereby took a 7-6

lead over the Commons. Organized by Rixi Markus, this annual event

has proved popular and raises con-

The award for the best-played hand went to Lord Lever for this ef-

gan to absorb so much of his time, Lord Lever was a regular at Con-

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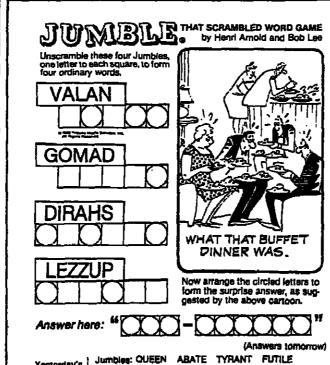
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Answer: What an elusive butterfly is apt to do-

Lord Dufferin of Ava, Lord Lever found himself declaring five

Looking at all four bands, it is easy to see that the lead of the king of hearts would have resulted in a heart ruff for the defense and a one-trick set. However, that lead was far too venturesome, so West made his natural lead of a club.

Declarer won the opening lead in dummy and led the jack of dia-monds. The percentage play with ten cards in a suit missing the king is to take the finesse. However, South did not want to lose a trick early and give the defenders the opportunity to find the heart shift. So he rose with the ace and great was the fall thereon.

Obviously, had the king of trumps not dropped under the ace, Lord Lever would have taken the spade finesse in an attempt to get rid of one or more of his heart losers. When the monarch dropped, declarer was able to draw the last trump and lead the jack of spades and make an overtrick when West

covered. Last year saw a match between the Senate and the House of Representatives in Washington. We hope that, too, will become an annual af-fair with play of a standard as high



Khmer Rouge guerrillas claimed Monday that Vietnam had sent truckloads of fresh troops into Kampuchea despite announcing a partial withdrawal of 50,000 soldiers from that

the Khmer Rouge, monitored in Bangkok, said 78 full truckloads of fresh Vietnamese troops rolled into the Kampuchean frontier province of Kompong Cham from Vietnam June 9.

in December 1978 to oust the

Peking-backed Khmer Rouge,

held responsible by Hanoi and

Western human rights groups for

the deaths of up to a million or

more Kampucheans during a

completely from Kampuchea by

'Vietnam beefing up'

Vietnam says it will pull out

four-year reign of terror.

the end of 1990.

country.

The convoy moved along national route 7, with some of the soldiers being dropped off at Chamka Leu while others proceeded northwards, the broadcast

JOHANNESBURG (R) -Black Archbishop Desmond Tutu Sunday condemned a car-bomb attack that killed two whites in Johannesburg and offered to mediate between the South African government and African National Congress (ANC) guer-

"All South Africans, black and

# Tutu offers to mediate between Pretoria, ANC white, want to be able to live outside Johannesburg's Ellis Park without the constant fear of being

the victims of violence, whether it is violence from the government or from those who oppose it," Tutu said in a statement.

"To that end, I would like to do whatever lies in my power to bring together the government and the ANC and PAC," a reference to the Pan Africanist Congress, a second and smaller guerrilla group also opposed to white rule in South Africa.

"Until the authorities agree to sit down and negotiate real power sharing with the authentic leaders of our people, this dreadful car-nage will not end," Tutu added. The Anglican Church leader,

winner of the 1984 Nobel Peace Prize, said he deplored Saturday's bomb explosion that killed two men and injured about 35 international image.

returns to the Soviet Union "will

enjoy all political, social and all

other rights guaranteed by Soviet

Asked specifically if the amnes-

ty applied to deserters, he said it

would apply to all servicemen

who became victims of "extreme

conditions" in Afghanistan and

that "from the standpoint of

humanism, an amnesty will be

The Soviet Union has listed 312

Sukharov said authorities have

soldiers missing in action in

applied to them."

Afghanistan.

rugby stadium.

The bomb went off minutes after the end of a rugby match as a crowd of about 15,000 spectators filed out of the ground, a popular venue for white South Africa's favourite sport.

Spokesman Pierre Louw told Reuters Sunday the police were studying the possibility the bomb was detonated by remote control just as a visiting team of Namibian schoolboys was boarding a bus across the street.

The attack was the latest in a series of guerrilla bombings that have killed at least 21 people this

The government has blamed the ANC for all the attacks and said the latest proved the movement was not concerned about its

tory of neighbouring Pakistan.

Many of those may be prisoners

of rebel units that have operated

Sukharev said some soldiers -

he gave no indication how many

United States, Canada or West-

are believed to be in the

The Afghan Mujahedeen

alliance has also extended an

offer of "amnesty" to Afghan government soldiers who desert

the army to join the rebel ranks.

According to Western diplomats in Islamabad, there is an increas-

ing desertion by Afghan govern-ment soldiers, but there has no

reports of such a trend in Kabul.

with Pakistani aid.

# Moscow offers amnesty to deserters in Afghan war

Union announced Monday it would grant an amnesty to any of its troops who deserted their units in Afghanistan during the nation's eight-year involvement in the

Prosecutor General A.Y. Sukharev told a news conference in Moscow the amnesty was being offered to about 200 Soviet soldiers who either deserted or became separated from their units during the war.

The Soviet Union began pull-ing its forces out of Afghanistan May 15, and units still there awaiting

Sukharev said any soldier who

withdrawal are not taking part in offensive operations.

determined that about one third of that number died and that

perhaps 200 remain on the terri-Philippines outraged by death squads

MANILA (R) — Philippine President Corazon Aquino Monday warned a wave of killings of human rights activists could des-troy public confidence in her, as communist rebels vowed to avenge the assassinations. 'I have been after them,"

Aquino told reporters, referring to her efforts to push the military and police to solve the murders and stop future killings.

Aquino said she had told constabulary chief Major-General Ramon Montano "we really have

to come up with a speedy solution... otherwise people would lose confidence in us. Aquino said she was also meet-

ing her chief civilian investigator, National Bureau of Investigation would look the other way as they groups carrying out summary exchief J. Antonio Carpio, to disgo about their deadly business," ecutions," Doronila wrote. chief J. Antonio Carpio, to dis-

Scandal rocks

French police

PARIS (R) — France's police force is fighting to salvage its reputation after a chief inspector

accused by eight Paris prostitutes

of pimping and running a protec-tion racket was remanded in cus-

tody.
The controversial "Inspector

police corruption and bitter rival-

ry between the police and the

gendarmes — the country's two forces of law and order — has

scandalised the French public.

police inspector with a brilliant

record, was arrested last Novem-

ber by a team of gendarmes and

charged with pimping, theft and

His arrest was based on evi-

dence given by a group of North

African prostitutes and a pimp

operating on the Rue de

Budapest, a well-known red light

district near Saint-Lazare railway

The prostitutes claimed Jobic

was a well-known figure among

the peep-shows and sex-shops,

demanding money from prostitutes and pimps in exchange for

police protection as well as run-

ning his own prostitution racket.

darmes taped several conversa-

tions between the police inspec-

tor and a cabaret owner who

agreed to turn informer after

being pulled in on drugs charges.

Jobic spent his first night in

prison last month after being re-

manded in custody by examining magistrate Jean-Michel Hayat, in

Events following Jobic's arrest

Hayat has been protected by

anti-terrorist police for the last

three months after receiving numerous death threats, and

three men have been charged

with trying to suborn the prosti-

But the case has also spotlight-

ed traditional rivarlies between-

the police, who answer to the

interior ministry, and the gen-

darmes, an elite paramilitary

force controlled by the ministry

Jobic, who pleads innocent to

all charges, has claimed he is the

victim of a gendarme plot to

humiliate and discredit the police force, describing proceedings against him as "a political trial."

have served to keep the case in

charge of the case.

tute witnesses.

of defence,

the national headlines.

Jobic was arrested after gen-

station.

running a protection racket.

Yves Jobic, a 30-year-old

Liberal Senator Rene Saguisag

Leftist groups have blamed right-wing death squads comprising military and police elements for the murders. "Is there no end to it?" said the

Manila Standard, commenting on the assassination at the weekend of the third human rights lawyer in two weeks, and on several other apparently politically motivated killings. No arrests have been made and

police say they have no firm clues to those responsible. Leftist groups say the death squads are drawn from the police

or military. "It is as if (the killers) were cocksure that the authorities arrogant rampage of extra-legal ish-style design, the library would

told reporters. Witnesses have said traffic was

re-routed, shops closed and bystanders cleared from an alley before an ambush took place there last week. Manila Chronicle editor

Amande Doronila Monday noted "growing public suspicion that the police or some in the military are behind the assassination

"The unabated wave of death squad assassinations and attacks on people with inconvenient political beliefs... has thrown serious doubt on the government's capacity to defend citizens from the

# WORLD NEWS IN BREIF

# Shultz to visit Pacific nations

WASHINGTON (AP) — Secretary of State George Shultz crosses the Pacific this week to visit nine capitals and hold major policy talks including discussion of security at the Seoul Olympics. Shultz also is likely to be dogged by questions about Sunday's U.S. missile attack on an unarmed Iranian passenger jet, which immediately provoked comparisons to the Soviet downing of Korean Air Lines flight 007 in 1983. Already on Shultz's agenda, before Sunday's incident, were issues including the Olympics, Kampuchea's future, American military bases in the Philippines, Chinese missile exports, U.S. trade deficits with newly prosperous Pacific nations, "boat people" refugees from Vietnam and other problems lingering from the Indochina war.

# Soviet aide attacks E. German policy

BONN, West Germany (AP) — A Soviet official denounced East Germany's "shoot to kill" orders issued to its border guards, saying firing at people trying to flee to the West was "inhumane," a radio station reported Sunday. It appeared to be the first time a Soviet official has publicly criticised communist East Germany for its long-standing policy that anyone trying to escape to West Germany be shot. Yuri Akvilyanov, second secretary at the Soviet embassy in Bonn, said nations have every right to protect their borders. West German radio reported. "But as far as these shootings go - in these times that seems inhumane," the radio quoted him as saying. "I don't believe what occurs on the border is a result of orders from Moscow," he reportedly said.

# 100 missing in Bangladesh river

DHAKA (R) — More than 100 passengers were feared drowned when an overcrowded bus skidded off a southern Bangladesh highway into a river, Ittefaq newspaper reported. It said divers found four bodies trapped inside the bus Sunday evening. Police said they feared all the passengers drowned but it was possible some jumped off before the bus sank in Karnafuli River in the Chittagong hill tracts.

# Bomb explodes near U.S. embassy

MADRID (R) - A small bomb exploded opposite the U.S. embassy in Madrid Monday and police said a second bomb was found nearby. The bomb exploded in a rubbish container just across the road from the embassy but no one was hurt and there was little damage. The United States put all its embassies on alert for possible repercussions after the U.S. cruiser Vincennes shot down an Iranian airliner carrying 290 people over the Gulf Sunday. Police said they did not know who planted the bombs.

# Papua New Guinea premier toppled

PORT MORESBY, Papua New Guinea (AP) - Paias Wingti was replaced as prime minister of Papua New Guinea Monday following a no-confidence motion on the floor of parliament. The members of parliament voted 58-50 against Wingti and installed opposition leader Rabbie Namaliu as the new prime minister. The vote followed a weekend of intense lobbying and the defection of a number of Wingti's political allies from the highlands region, who are members of Treasurer Michael Mel's National Party. Wingti led the People's Democratic Movement which governed in a coalition with the National Party. He claimed a faction of the party led by his long-time rival Paul Pora had brought about his downfall

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#### A new labour force emerges

TACOMA, Washington (AP) --Several families are reducing their garbage piles with help from a labour force that demands no wages, takes no breaks, requires no supervision and needs only a warm bed and a few food scraps. They are earthworms. Pierce County officials presented a bowl full of the slimy creatures to nine families volunteering for a recycling and composting project. The families were told the worms convert food into soil in a process called composting - if they are kept in a box with moist bedding and fed food scraps. The county is teaching the families how to reduce waste dumped in the landfills, which have polluted the groundwater and must be closed by 1991 unless the dumping volume is reduced significantly.

#### Catamaran fleet opens up Thames

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LONDON (AP) — A fleet of jet-powered catamarans has opened the British capital's last uncrowded thoroughfare - the river Thames — to commuter traffic. "There's nothing else like this: an intensive river shuttle service in the centre of London," said Roger Mabbott, 39, deputy managing director of Thames Line plc. Since its public debut June 1, the firm's three boats have cruised past cars on choked streets to ferry about 600 passengers per day from central London to the booming docklands area. The catamarans — twin-hulled boats that attain a speed of 45 kilometres per hour - carry up to 62 passengers.

# Reagan library to

SIMI VALLEY, California (AP) Construction should start in the autumn on a library for the private papers of President Reagan. The proposed library is to be built on land donated by a Los Angeles development com-pany about 112.7 kilometres southeast of Reagan's ranch in Santa Barbara county, Some officials had proposed ground ing as early as July 4, but that proved to be too optimistic. C. Ronald Kimberling, executive director of the Library Foundation, said this week. With a Spaninclude undergound storage, a museum and research materials depicting the administration and historical events during the Reagan administration. Efforts to place the library at Stanford University in Palo Alto fell through in April 1987 because of coposition from faculty and city landowners.

### **Duck crossing signs** popular items

BARTLESVILLE, Oklahoma (AP) — Someone keeps stealing Bartlesville's duck crossing signs, so street officials have decided to sell the yellow caution signs to pay the bills. The duck silhouette on a diamond-shaped sign is supposed to warn motorists to watch for ducks crossing the street near a pond. The street department has lost about \$1,500 on the signs. said Garold Young of the town's streets department. He said officials figure the missing signs have become wall hangings in residences. Officials decided last week they would bow to market demand and offer the signs for sale at \$28 to \$35 each.

### Mel Torme's new popularity

CHATTANOOGA, Tennesse (AP) - Singer Mel Torme says it does not bother him in the least that his new popularity is due in part to a television comedy series called "Night Court." "It is ironic that the younger people have learned about me that way, but I'm grateful for it," said Torme, who is depicted as the musical idol of the show's main character. a judge. The 62-year-old entertainer is preparing to release his autobiography, "It Wasn't All Velvet." and is working on a biography of the late Jazz drum-mer Buddy Rich.

#### Jackson on tour in W. Germany

COLOGNE. West Germany (AP) - About 60,000 screaming Michael Jackson fans packed a Cologne stadium Sunday night for a concert by the U.S. pop star. The show also featured rock idol Tina Turner, the pop singer Pebbles, and the Magicians Siegfried and Roy. Jackson is on a European tour. On Friday night, he performed for more than 50,000 people in Hamburg, Tour publi-cist Michael Mitchell said that Saturday Jackson visited Fantasialand, a popular amusement park in Cologne.

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